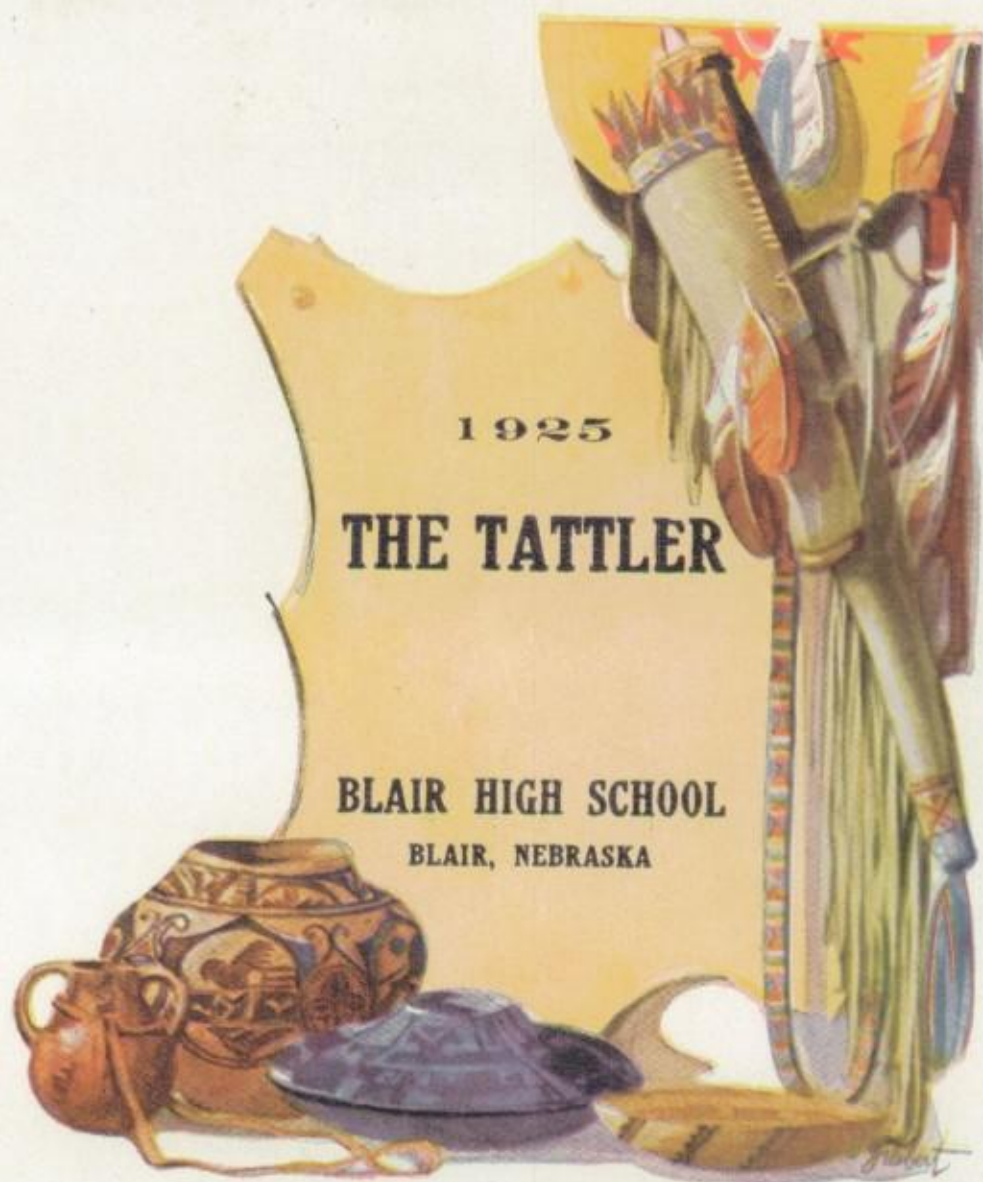


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Dedication

A school is what the community makes of it. Without the support of the citizens of the community no school can progress. The city of Blair has made its high school a thriving, progressive institution, offering manifold advantages to the students who attend it. In gratitude for this support and for the advantages offered to us, this book is dedicated to the city of Blair, doubly dear to us because of the memories associated with it and because of the fact that it is our home.

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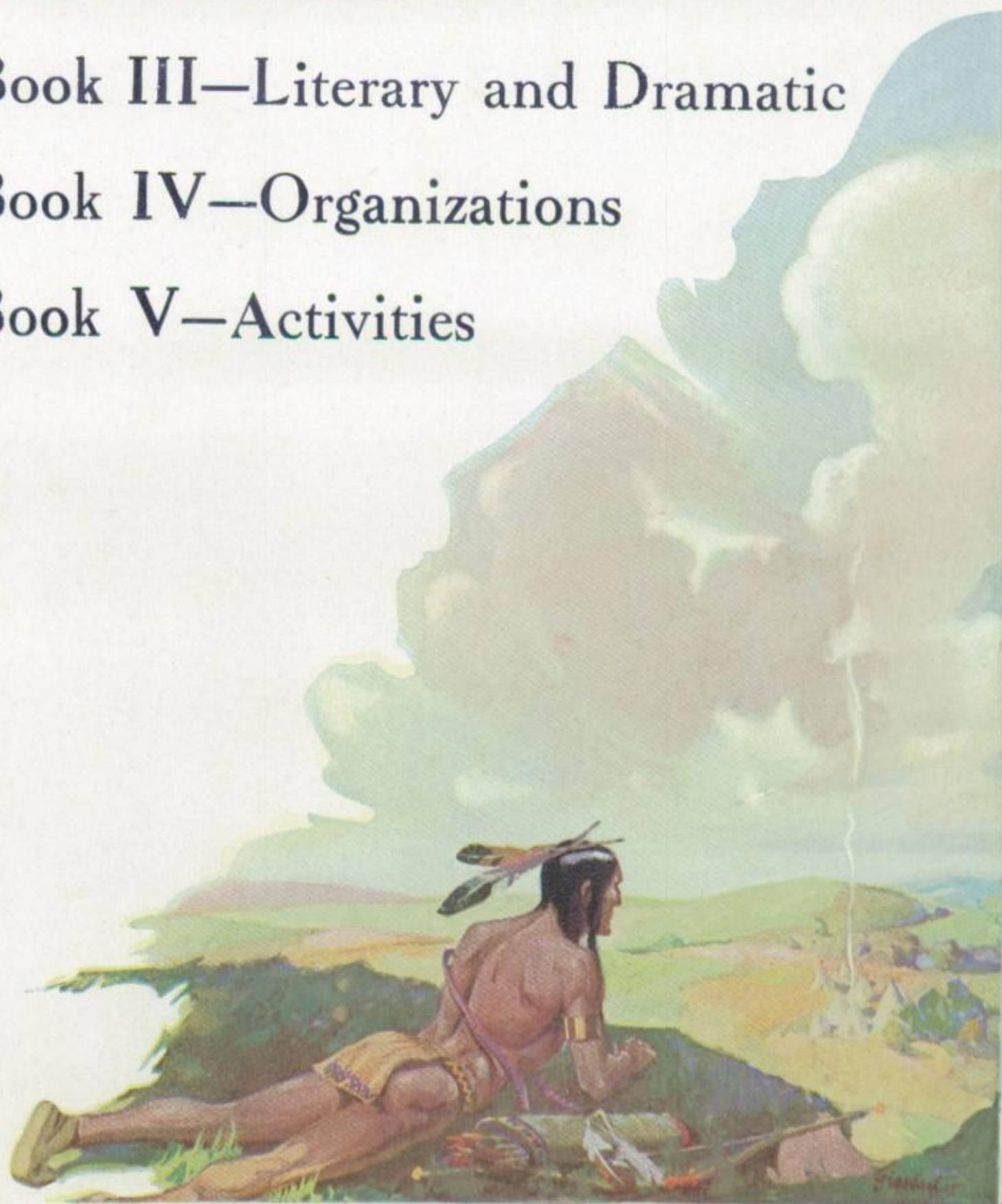
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Blair—Then and Now

ONE HUNDRED years ago, on the spot where the city of Blair now stands, Indian tribes hunted and warred. The Omahas were the last great tribe to occupy this part of the country, but it is certain that at various times the Otoes, Sioux, Pawnees, and Delawares have lived in this region. Between 1827 and 1832 the Pawnees, living north of the Platte river were visited with an epidemic of small-pox. Thinking the land was cursed, they moved into what is now Washington County. They were then attacked by the Sioux and driven back across the river to where the city of Fremont is now located.

Big Elk, a great chief of the Omahas, was buried near Ft. Calhoun in 1854. For many years the Omahas made pilgrimages to his grave, bringing gifts.

Hugh Glass, the scout who has been immortalized by Neihardt, came to Fort Atkinson after the end of his famous crawl. This fort was one of the first established in this region and was near the present town of Ft. Calhoun.

All these things happened in the vicinity of Blair. Instead of the comfortable homes which now stand in our city, there were Indian tepees. Instead of the whistle of trains, the Indian war-whoop was heard. Indians—wild and free, hunting, fighting, loving, and warring. Blair—in 1825.

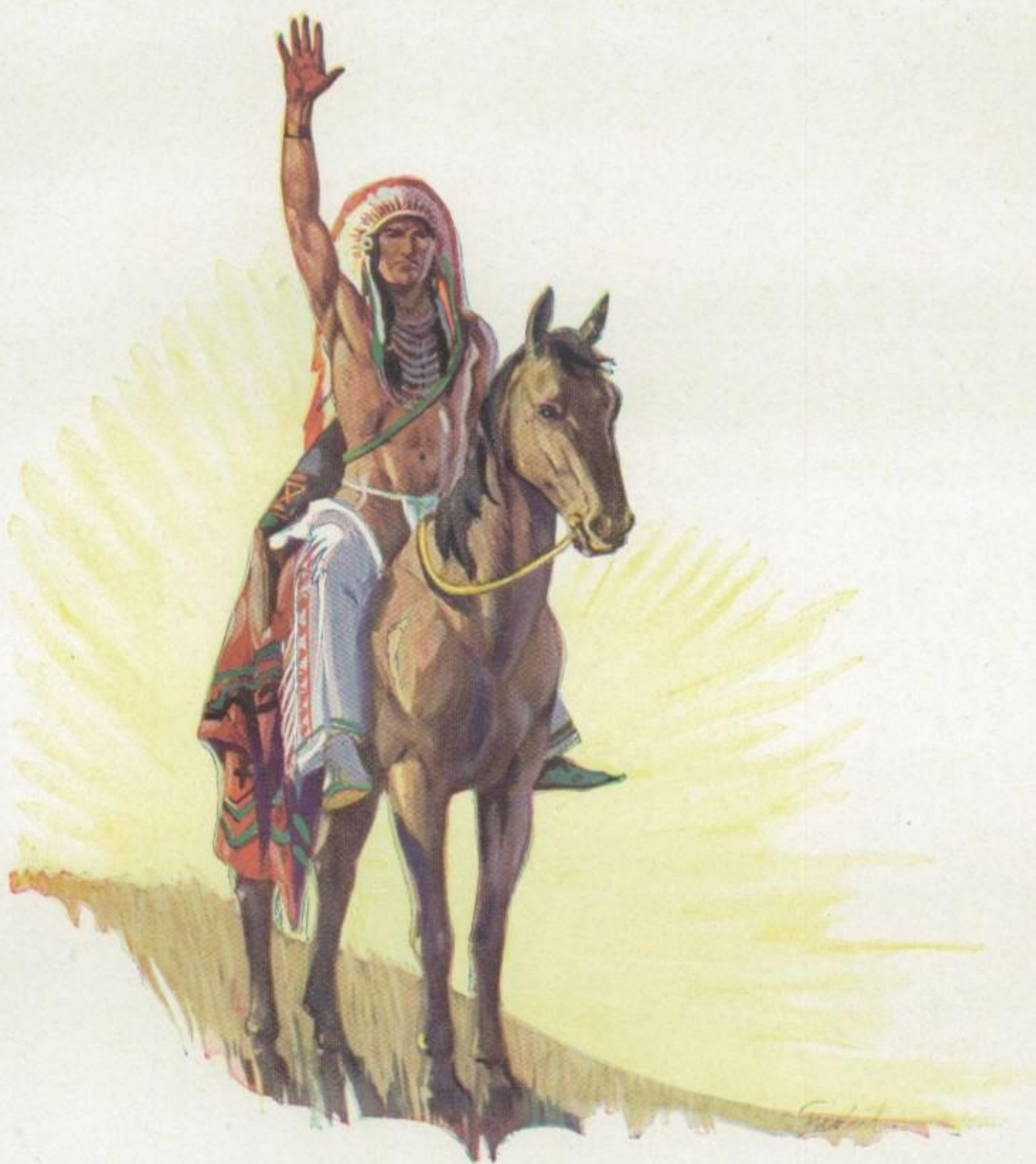
Then the white men came, the pioneers. Slowly, the land was claimed and brought under cultivation. The settlers battled with heat, drought, prairie fires, hailstorms, and blizzards. Towns sprang up, ugly little frontier towns where the farmers traded.

Among these villages was Blair. It was plotted by John I. Blair who was prominent in the affairs of the Sioux City and Pacific railroad. The town was named for him. The land which was chosen for the town-site was owned by Jacob, Alexander and T. M. Carter who had claimed it in 1855.

Blair was not organized until 1872, although it had had considerable growth before that time. In 1869 it had been made the county seat. Many buildings were moved here from the towns of De Soto and Cuming City. The first school was established in 1869, and was taught by Miss Sarah Kibby.

So we have the second picture—of 1875—fifty years ago. The Indians have disappeared, and the land has been brought under cultivation. Blair is a rude little town, only a few years old.

Now we come to the Blair that we know. It is a city of 3000 people. Its schools represent the investment of over two hundred thousand dollars. It is a modern city—with all modern improvements. A prosperous little city, too, and a beautiful one, with wide paved streets and many stately trees. Its people are happy and prosperous. In short, it is just one of the many quiet, prosperous, beautiful, little cities that dot the plains of the Middle West, but to us, naturally, it seems better than any other city, because it is our home town. This is Blair—our Blair—of 1925. J. R.



Book I—Faculty



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D. V. MASSER, A. B.
University of Iowa, 1914
Post Graduate—Iowa State College, 1915
Superintendent of City Schools



PAUL L. MOORE, A. B.
Southwestern College, 1922
Post Graduate—University of Chicago, 1924
Principal of the High School

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VIVIAN HANSON, B. S.
University of Nebraska, 1923
Mathematics



MARY ELIZABETH GRAHAM, A. B.
University of Nebraska, 1923
Latin

MRS. D. V. MASSER, B. S.
Iowa State College, 1915
Science



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ESTHER McCURDY, A. B.
University of Nebraska, 1922
Post Graduate—University of Chicago, 1924
History



MARGARET KELLY
Wayne State Teachers' College, 1918
Normal Training



ISABEL McMONIES, A. B.
University of Nebraska, 1922
English

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MILDRED DOTEN, B. S.
University of Nebraska, 1924
Commercial

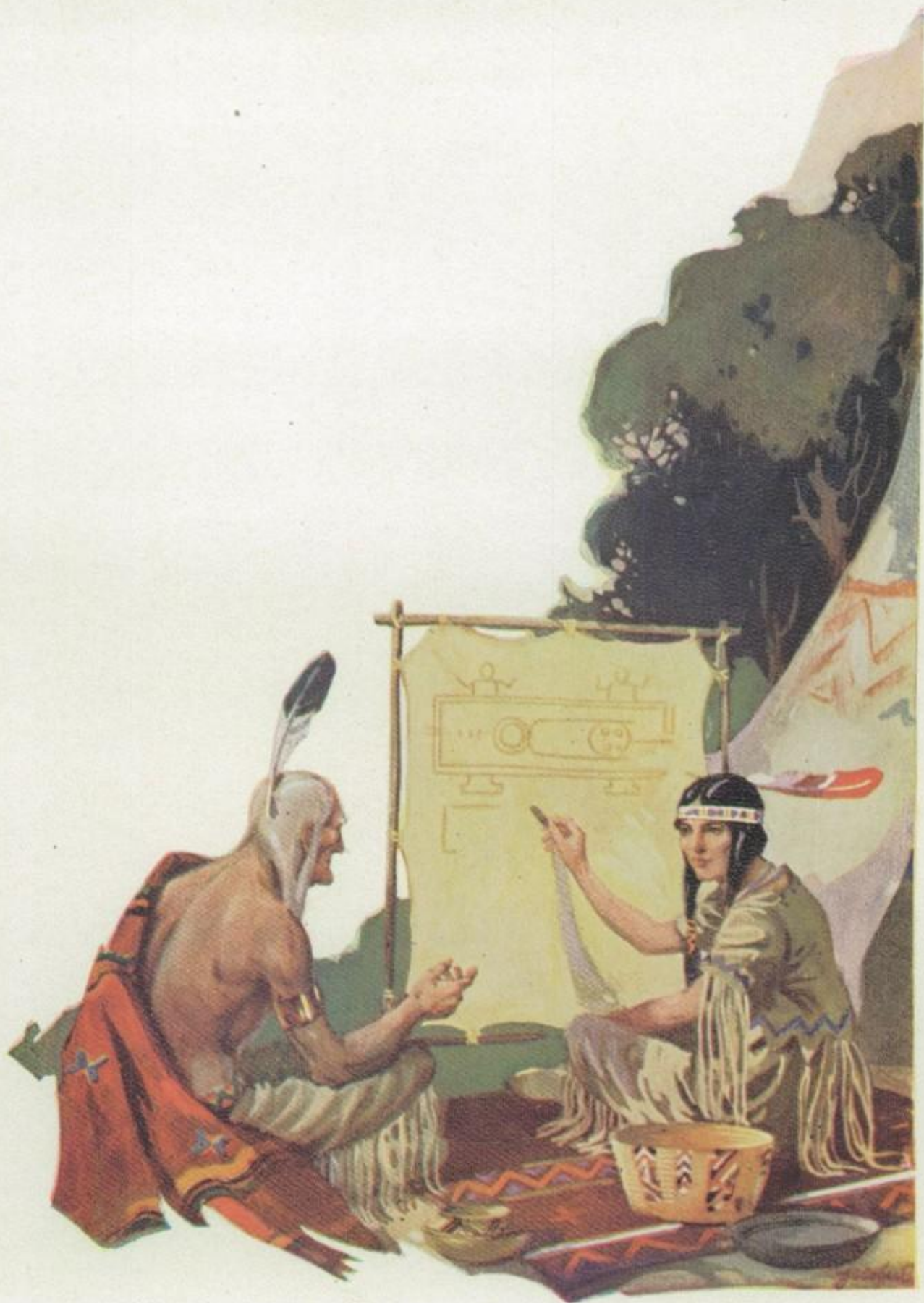
MRS. G. S. BROWN
Nebraska Wesleyan University
Music



JOHANNA DUTHIE
Colorado Women's College, 1918
Home Economics

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MARGARET ALLEN

Chorus (1); Glee Club (1, 2, 4); Mixed Chorus (4); Commercial Club (4); Normal Training Club (4).

"A jolly girl, friendly and ready for fun."

ROLLO ALLEN

Thirteen Club (4); Glee Club (4); Mixed Chorus (4).

"When there's nothing else to do, I study."

WINIFRED ALLEN

Glee Club (3, 4); Octette (3); Tattler Staff (4); Normal Training Club, Secretary (4); Girls' Quartette (3, 4); Operetta (4); Mixed Quartette (4); Mixed Chorus (4); Thirteen Club (4); Declamatory (4).

"You'll never clap a padlock on my tongue."

MARY ANDERSEN

Normal Training Club (4).

"Her head is as level as her heart is big."

AUDREY BEALES

Chorus (1); Student Council (2); Athletic Association (1, 2); Glee Club (2, 4); Thirteen Club (4); Literary Society (2); Declamatory (4); Normal Training Club (4); Class Vice-President (4); Campfire (3); Mixed Chorus (4).

"Her face would make sunshine in a shady place."

CATHERINE BEEKMAN

Literary Society (2); Glee Club (2, 3, 4); Declamatory (4); Orchestra (4); Operetta (1, 4); Cheer Leader (4); Boys' Glee Club, Pianist (4); Girls' Quartette (3, 4); Octette (3); Athletic Association (1); Chorus (1); Class President (2); Thirteen Club, President (4); Mixed Chorus (4); Student Council (2); Student Activities Committee (2).

"She was sweet and she was coy,
She had strings on many a boy."

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ELTON BISSEL

Glee Club (4); Orchestra (3, 4); Mixed Chorus (4);

"Beware! I may yet do something sensational."

MARJORIE BLOMQUIST

Chorus (1); Normal Training Club (4).

"A girl of few words, quiet and capable."

RUTH BROSS

Chorus (1); Glee Club (2, 3, 4), President (3); Vice-president (4); Declamatory (4); Mixed Chorus (4); Normal Training Club, Vice-president (4); Octette (3); Campfire, President (3); Girls' Quartette (3, 4); Operetta (1, 4).

"It's the songs ye sing and the smiles ye wear,

That's makin' the sunshine everywhere."

ORPHA CALDWELL

Orchestra (1, 2, 3); Glee Club (3); Chorus (1, 2); Commercial Club (4).

"A small thing, yet not to be despised."

DORA CARLSON

Chorus (1, 2); Glee Club (4); Normal Training Club (4); Athletic Association (2).

"The good die young, but that doesn't worry me."

RUTH CHEELY

Operetta (1, 4); Student Council (2); Literary Society (2); Glee Club (2, 4); Chorus (1); Orchestra (3); Class Secretary-Treasurer (2); 13 Club, Treasurer (4); Athletic Association (1); Literary Editor Tattler (3); Declamatory (4); Student Activities Committee (1); Normal Training Club (4).

"Small, 'tis true, but she may grow."

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BESSIE CROUDY

Chorus (1); Normal Training Club (4);
Athletic Association (1).

"If diligence is virtue, then she is surely virtuous."

HAROLD CAPANSKY

Commercial Club (4).

"His ability as a student is only excelled by the size of his feet."

KIRBY COOK

Class President (4); Editor-in-chief Tattler (4); Class Vice-president (2); Football (2, 4); Baseball (1); Glee Club (4); President Musical Association (4); Debating (4); Literary Society (2); Athletic Association (1, 2); Student Council (2); Assistant Business Manager Tattler (3).

"The boy who does everything, and does it well."

HELEN DRAEGER

Glee Club (1); Commercial Club (4).

"She laughs with so little cause."

GLADYS FRAIN

Commercial Club (4); Normal Training Club (4).

"There's a lot of fun beneath her apparent quietness."

AGNES GILBERTSON

Chorus (1); Orchestra (4); Tattler Staff (4); Glee Club (2); Commercial Club (4); Operetta (1); Student Activities Committee (2); Athletic Association (1).

"Red hair does not always indicate a fiery temper."

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LYLE GILBERTSON

Glee Club (4).

"No echo you hear from my voice,
For I do talk but little."

ROBERT GOLLEHON

Football (3, 4); Commercial Club (4).

"An able fellow, quiet and reserved."

KATHERINE HILLMAN

Glee Club (2); Commercial Club (4).

"The gladdest of all when glad,
The maddest of all when mad."

AUSTIN HALLER

Literary Society (2); 13 Club (4);
Glee Club (4); Commercial Club (4);
Orchestra (3); Athletic Association (1).

"A careful student; careful not to over-
do it."

MAE HINELINE

Chorus (1); Normal Training Club (4).

"Light-haired, but not light-headed."

MINNIE HINELINE

Chorus (1, 2); Normal Training Club
(4).

"Those who know her best, like her
best."

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RUTH JENKINS

Glee Club (1, 2, 3, 4); Mixed Chorus (4); Normal Training Club (4).

"Her eyes are jolly and brown, but she herself is true blue."

HELEN JENSEN

"Just myself, and nobody else."

RUTH JENSEN

Orchestra (2, 3, 4); Chorus (1); Normal Training Club (4); Athletic Association (1).

"Quiet and unassuming, until she takes up her violin."

MARGUERITE LEMON

Normal Training Club (4); Glee Club (4); Commercial Club (4).

"She is sunny, she is fair,
She is the girl with golden hair."

PAULINE LIPPINCOTT

Literary Society (2); Orchestra (1, 4); Class Secretary (3); Commercial Club (4); Athletic Association (1).

"Better be dead than out of fashion."

MYRTLE LITTLE

Normal Training Club (4).

"Black hair and eyes do not always mean a vampire."

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DRUSILLA LOVE

Chorus (1).

"Never trouble trouble till trouble troubles you."

GERTRUDE LOVE

Chorus (1); Normal Training Club (4);
Glee Club (4); Commercial Club (4);
Declamatory (4).

"She has a smile for everyone."

JAMES MAHER

Literary Society (2); Class President
(3); Class Secretary-Treasurer (4);
Football (4); Commercial Club, Presi-
dent (4); Athletic Association (1);
Student Council (2).

"He fooled some of the teachers all of
the time, and all of the teachers some
of the time."

MILFORD MEHRENS

Glee Club (4); Football (4); Debating
(4); Operetta (4).

"All great things shine, the sun, the
moon, and my hair."

HALBERT McCLINTOCK

Glee Club (4); Male Quartette (4);
Mixed Quartette (4); Operetta (4).

"Not a sinner nor a saint, perhaps,
But he's the very best of chaps."

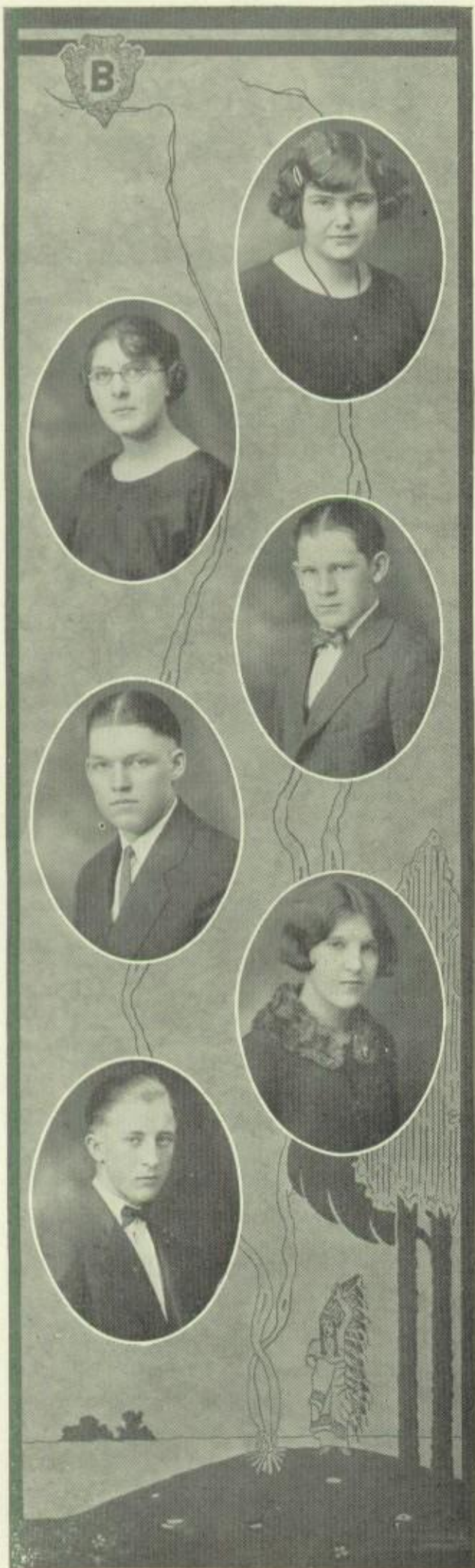
OPAL McCORMICK

Glee Club (3); Normal Training Club
(4).

"It's nice to be natural, when you are
naturally nice."



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MYRTLE McDONALD

Normal Training Club (4); Glee Club (4).

"Always busy and always cheerful."

BERTHA MORGENSON

Glee Club (1, 2, 3); Declamatory (4).

"A student with a capital 'S'."

GEORGE NELSON

Football (3, 4); Commercial Club (4); Glee Club (4); Mixed Chorus (4).

"God sends his terrors into every age."

GIFFORD NIELSEN

Literary Society (1, 2); Football (1, 2); Baseball (1, 2).

"I make no noise, but I get my money's worth."

MARIAN NUNNALLY

Glee Club (2); Commercial Club (4).

"Women are facts, for facts are stubborn things."

JAMES POUNDS

Commercial Club (4); 13 Club (4); Glee Club (4); Business Manager Athletic Association (4); Commercial Club Treasurer (4); Literary Society (2); Ass't Business Manager Tattler (4); Student Council (2).

"Care to our coffin adds a nail, no doubt, And every grin so merry, draws one out."

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NELSINE PETERSEN

Commercial Club (4); Chorus (1).

"Let us hope that her future is as bright as her hair."

ELNA RASMUSSEN

Chorus (1); Glee Club (2); Athletic Association (1); Normal Training Club, Treasurer (4).

"The mildest manner and the gentlest heart."

LILLIAN RASMUSSEN

Glee Club (3, 4); Mixed Chorus (4); Athletic Association (1).

"Nothing to say, but much to think of."

HILTON RHOADES

Glee Club (4); Mixed Chorus (4); Octette (2, 3); Male Quartette (4).

"When he plays the piano, brace your feet."

JEANETTE ROBERTSON

Chorus (1); Class Vice-president (3); Literary Editor Tattler (4); Literary Society (2); Operetta (1); Glee Club (3, 4), Secretary (3); Commercial Club, Secretary (4); Campfire, Secretary (3); Athletic Association (1); Tattler Reporter (1, 2, 3).

"An inspiration to all who work with her."

JOSEPHINE ROBINSON

Chorus (1); Literary Society (2); Orchestra (2, 3, 4); Commercial Club (4); Athletic Association (1).

"A little girl with a soft voice and gentle ways."

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GLADYS ROBERT

Normal Training Club (4).

"The only way to have a friend is to be one."

FRANCES SAPPENFIELD

Chorus (1); Commercial Club (4); Glee Club (4); Declamatory (4).

"Not only good, but good for something."

VIDA SAPPENFIELD

Chorus (1, 2).

"The 'V' in her name stands for vigor."

ELEANORA SIMONSON

Chorus (1, 2); Basketball (1); Literary Society (1).

"Not too busy to be friendly."

OLIVE SMITH

Chorus (1, 2); Glee Club (4); Mixed Chorus (4); Normal Training Club (4); Declamatory (4); Commercial Club (4).

"A bundle of giggles."

MARGARET STRUVE

Literary Society (2); Glee Club (2); Chorus (1); Campfire, Treasurer (3); Commercial Club (4); Debating (4); Athletic Association (1, 2).

"So wise—and yet so young."

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EVERETT TYSON

Student Council (2); Athletic Association (1, 2); Football (3, 4); Business Manager Tattler (4); Literary Society (2); Commercial Club (4); Glee Club (4); Declamatory (4); Mixed Chorus (4).

"If God can love them all, surely I can love a dozen."

THELMA VANDEVENTER

Normal Training Club (4); Basketball (1, 2); Declamatory (4).

"From Missouri—but she doesn't have to be shown."

MABEL WALLACE

Commercial Club (4); Athletic Association (2).

"A good student, a good companion, and a good friend."

JANE WISE

Chorus (1); Normal Training Club (4).

"Hugh has graduated—but she isn't lonesome—not a bit."

NELLIE WOLTJE

Chorus (1); Glee Club (3, 4); Declamatory (4); Normal Training Club (4).

"One of our future school-ma'ams."

MARY HELEN WRIGHT

Commercial Club (4); Chorus (1, 2); Orchestra (1, 2, 3, 4); Glee Club (3); Athletic Association (1).

"A curly bobbed-head, and a merry heart—that's Mary Helen."

LOUISE ZIEGLER

Chorus (1); Commercial Club (4); Normal Training Club (4); Athletic Association (1).

"Talking comes by nature, silence by wisdom."

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Class Poem

Reserves! Upon the side we stand
Ready to dash into the Game of Life,
Armed with diplomas and our school ideals,
Eager to give ourselves into the strife.

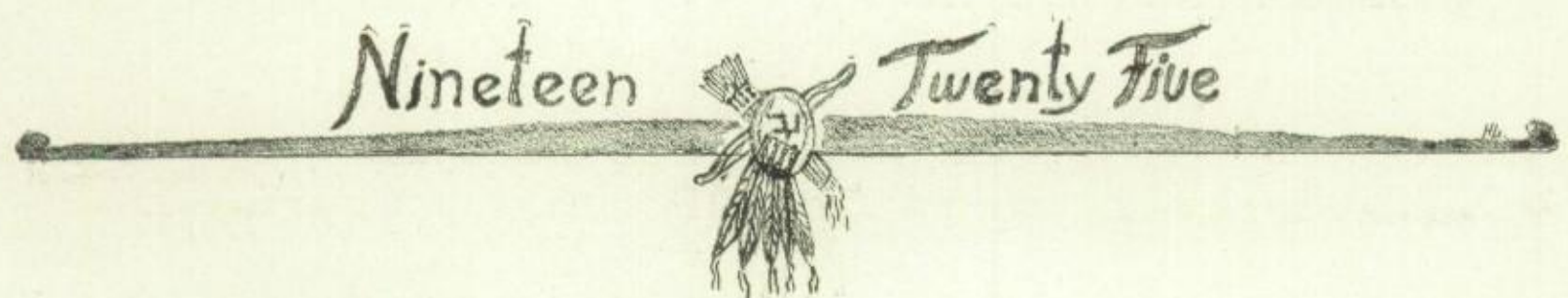
We've learned the game, its laws and all its rules,
In twelve long years of mingled praise and blame,
How best to play, in order we may win,
Novices—we have learned to play the game.

Now we are Seniors—the first round is done,
We're ready for the second—for the sting
Of harsh defeat, the thrill when we have won,
For all the joy and pain that it shall bring.

We're going to be sportsmen when we lose,
And generous and kindly when we win,
We'll play the game the best that we know how,
And try to make a record free from sin.

Failure—or triumph? What will our lives bring?
Disgrace—or fame and honor in the strife?
Each one must find the answer for himself,
How well he'll battle in the Game of Life.

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Class History

In the spring of 1912, eleven little children took their first steps along the rough and rocky path of learning. They constituted a kindergarten reading-class taught by Miss Ella Hill. In the course of thirteen years, two of those children have moved away from Blair. The other nine are all graduating members of the class of 1925.

These eleven children, together with many other little contemporaries returned to school-work in earnest in the autumn. The first eight years of their school life passed quite uneventfully. Perhaps many students will remember the rather remarkable debate which six members of the, then eighth grade, gave before the High School. The question was: Resolved: That Washington was a greater man than Lincoln.

The next year they entered high school, proud of the title, Freshmen. Then, as Sophomores, they advanced to the dignity of class officers and a sponsor. Miss Ethel Evans was their sponsor, Catherine Beekmann, president, Kirby Cook, vice-president, and Ruth Cheely, secretary and treasurer. The good times at the class party at James Maher's, and the skating party at Grimm's will be remembered by the class.

In their Junior year Miss Una Crook was class sponsor, James Maher, president, Jeanette Robertson, vice-president, Pauline Lippincott, secretary, and William Powell, treasurer. The party given by the Juniors to the Seniors, and the Junior-Senior banquet, were proof of the "pep" and enthusiasm of the Juniors.

This year, covered with the customary dignity, the class returned as Seniors. They have the distinction of being the largest class ever known in Blair High School, having sixty-three graduating members. The officers of the Senior class are: Kirby Cook, president, Audrey Beales, vice-president, and James Maher, secretary and treasurer. The class sponsor is Mr. Moore. Every Senior will remember the exciting class meetings they have held, and the jolly party held in the commercial room.

The class of 1925 will be remembered for its athletes, debaters, musicians, and scholars. Its most prominent athletes are: Kirby Cook, Clarence Vig, George Nelson, Everett Tyson, Earl Jacobs, and Milford Mehrens. These are the fellows who played a large part in winning the conference championship for the school. Its debaters—oh, golden eloquence!—are Margaret Struve, Kirby Cook, and Milford Mehrens. Its musicians, who have enlivened the Wednesday programs and special entertainments are: Ruth Bross, Ruth Cheely, Catherine Beekmann, Hilton Rhoades, Elton Bissel, and Austin Haller. And last, but by no means least, are its best scholars: Audrey Beales, Kirby Cook, Jeanette Robertson, and Margaret Struve.

It has been a good year for the Seniors—their last in B. H. S. They have worked and played hard in the school which is dear to them all. Now they are leaving it, as so many other classes have left it—hoping that they will not be entirely forgotten by the students who come after them. J. R.

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Senior Class Will

We, the Senior Class of 1925, being soon to graduate and leave Blair High School do hereby make, devise, and publish this our last will and testament that the succeeding classes may have something to remember us by.

To the Junior Class we leave our Sponsor, Mr. Moore, as the best all-around sponsor we have ever known.

I, Halbert McClintock, do will and bequeath my beautiful marcel to Frances Koopman, so that she will not have to go to the beauty parlor so often.

I, Ruth Bross, do will and bequeath my voice to Thomas Wilkinson, so that there will always be someone to sing on the Wednesday programs.

I, Mary Andersen, do will and bequeath my back seat in the assembly to Pearl Brewster so that he will not have to walk clear up to the front.

I, Winifred Allen, do will and bequeath my little gold slippers to Lillian Stevens that B. H. S. may always have something to remember me by.

I, Marguerite Lemon, do will and bequeath my soft voice to Earl Hillman that he may seem more gentle.

I, Helen Draeger, do will and bequeath my giggle to John Sutherland so he will be more lively.

I, Margaret Struve, do will and bequeath part of my height to Irene Warrick so she will not be the shortest person in High School.

I, Milford Mehrens, do will and bequeath my duties as sheriff to Bernard Thompson so that B. H. S. shall still have a protector.

I, Katherine Hillman, do will and bequeath my ability as a commercial student to Wilfred Porter.

I, Clara Gilliland, do bequeath my seat in the assembly to Doris Johns so that she can look out of the window when she is tired of studying.

I, Everett Tyson, do will and bequeath my wonderful way with the ladies to William Rodgers.

I, Vida Sappenfield, do will and bequeath my brisk manner to Leora Petersen.

I, Gladys Frain, do will and bequeath my gentle voice and manner to Hortense Halbert that she may not appear so boisterous.

I, George K. Nelson, do will and bequeath my smile and general good looks to Glen Morgan.

I, Mabel Vandeventer, do will and bequeath my habit of beginning a recitation with "Well — — —" to Frances Bross.

I, Audrey Beales, do will and bequeath my sunny smile to Reynold Lang, so he will not seem so solemn.

I, Lillian Rasmussen, do will and bequeath my curls to Blandina Warrick.

I, Ruth Cheely, do will and bequeath my littleness and daintiness to Marian Jacobs.



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I, Elton Bissel, do will and bequeath my genius-like appearance to Arvid Bartlett that he may some day startle the world.

I, Agnes Gilbertson, do will and bequeath my gracefulness to Irene Haack so she will not fall down in the assembly again.

I, Thelma Vandeventer, do will and bequeath my strong voice to Martha Siert.

I, Olive Smith, do will and bequeath my boyish bob to Pearl Behrendt.

I, Ruth Jensen, do will and bequeath my knowledge of History to Dorothy Powell.

I, Gertrude Love, do will and bequeath my pedagogical ability to Esther Kubie.

I, Clarence Vig, do will and bequeath my nickname and wit to Jens Petersen.

I, Louise Ziegler, do will and bequeath my boyish ways to Fern McClintock.

I, Orpha Caldwell, do will and bequeath my fidelity to my pal, Mary Helen, to Byrd Blomquist.

I, James Pounds, do will and bequeath my newly-acquired ability to dance to Lloyd Husk.

I, Nellie Woltje, do will and bequeath my dramatic ability to Jennie Gutschow so she may take honors in the declamatory contest next year.

I, Margaret Allen, do will and bequeath some of my blouses to Helen Siert.

I Marjorie Blomquist, do will and bequeath my good English grades to Wilbur Watts.

I, Gifford Nielsen, do will and bequeath my bashfulness to Arthur Johnson.

I, Josephine Robinson, do will and bequeath my musical talent to Nelle Cushman.

I, Austin Haller, do will and bequeath my cynicism to Marshall Jensen.

I, Ruth Jenkins, do will and bequeath my Ford Sedan to Harold Carlson so he can take his girls out riding.

I, Eleonora Simonsen, do will and bequeath my spectacles to Lucille Nemetz so she will look wiser.

I, Jane Wise, do will and bequeath my own particular way of reciting to Evelyn McCoy.

I, Frances Sappenfield, do will and bequeath my long braid of hair to Mildred McCormick so that she will look older and more dignified.

I, Gladys Rogert, do will and bequeath my Herman friends to Edith Frain so she will not be lonesome.

I, Lyle Gilbertson, do will and bequeath my collection of rubber bands to Everett Lamb so he can enjoy himself with them when the teachers are not looking.

I, Nelsine Petersen, do will and bequeath my habit of asking peculiar questions to Leslie Thompson so he will enliven the XII English Class next year.

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I, Bessie Croudy, do will and bequeath my way of smiling when I talk, to Lucille Brunton, so she will look more cheerful.

I, Helen Jensen, do will and bequeath my friendliness to Mildred Burger.

I, Rollo Allen, do will and bequeath the mischievous twinkle in my eyes to Steen Vig so he will not appear bashful.

I, Elmer Rasmussen, do will and bequeath my striped sweater to Pearl Hundahl.

I, Bertha Morgenson, do will and bequeath my knitted dresses to Dorothy Smith.

I, Opal McCormick, do will and bequeath my sweet dignity to Leitha Pace.

I, Kirby Cook, do will and bequeath my interest in a certain Junior girl to Harold Larsen, to take care of until she gets out of school.

I, Robert Gollehon, do will and bequeath my habit of blushing easily to Kenneth Gilbertson so that he will seem more modest.

I, Hilton Rhoades, do will and bequeath my musical ability to Gertrude Warriek so she can play for dismissal.

I, Pauline Lippincott, do will and bequeath my secretarial position to La Fern Toft.

I, Elna Rasmussen, do will and bequeath my sweet demureness to Edythe Jensen.

I, James Maher, do will and bequeath my rotundity to Raymond French.

I, Mae Hineine, do will and bequeath my ability to make myself heard to Iva Bacon.

I, Jeanette Robertson, do will and bequeath my position on the Tattler Staff to Erna Metzinger.

I, Catherine Beekmann, do will and bequeath my individual manner of sneezing to Wilma Hansen that she may create amusement in the assembly.

I, Myrtle Little, do will and bequeath my raven locks to Mildred Moats.

I, Harold Capansky, do will and bequeath my plush cap to Carl Christensen so his ears will not get cold coming in from the country.

I, Mabel Wallace, do will and bequeath my size to Virgil Pearce.

I, Mary Helen Wright, do will and bequeath my laugh to Glen Morgan.

I, Marian Nunnally, do will and bequeath my sophistication to Mildred Andersen.

I, Chauncey Wright, do will and bequeath my playfulness to Winston Hansen so he will not be so serious.

I, Dora Carlson, do will and bequeath my expressive eyebrows to Leila Burger.

Signed, sealed, declared, and published this 1st day of May, 1925.

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Senior Class Activities

The first Senior social event of the year was the annual class party which was held February 20th in the Commercial Rooms. Old rose and steel grey streamers, artistically draped about the room, transformed the old central assembly into a veritable fairy-land of beauty. The clever program which was presented included numbers which ranged from "the ridiculous to the sublime". The concluding number was an original pantomime, written and produced by members of the class. After the program the chairs were pushed back, and the Seniors and Faculty alike, cast aside their dignity and played games. Delicious refreshments appropriate to the occasion concluded the evening's entertainment.

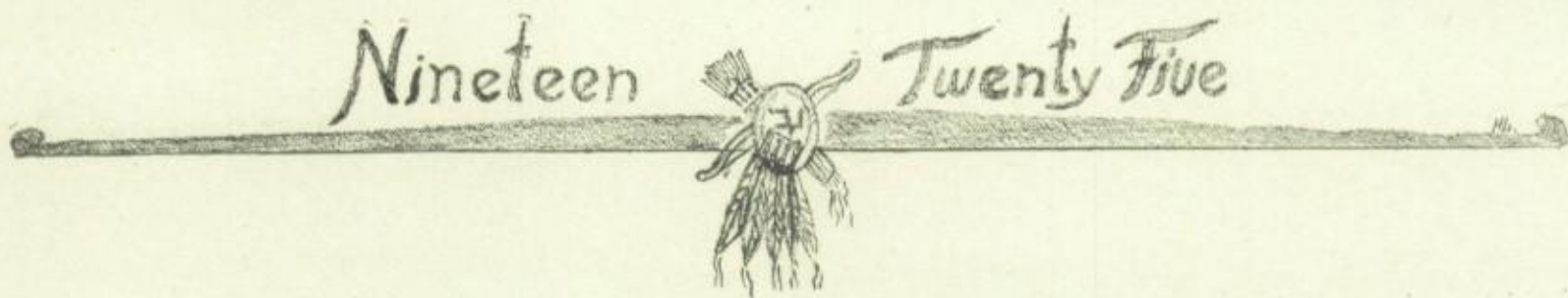
One of the outstanding accomplishments of the class of 1925 was their presentation of the play, "Seven Keys to Baldpate", by George M. Cohan. The play is an unusual one requiring a higher type of dramatic work than the average high school production. It is a melodrama of the mystery type containing also elements of romance and humor.

The Junior-Senior Reception was indeed a revelation. Incense and oriental colors; Japanese lanterns and fans! Flowers and ornaments that fairly breathe the air of old Japan. Place all this in the American Legion Hall of Blair, Nebraska, on the evening of May 16, 1925, and you have a picture of the Junior-Senior Reception.

May the 17th was Baccalaureate Sunday. The service, which was held in the Opera House, was beautiful and impressive.

The Commencement exercises were held in the Opera House Friday evening, May 22nd. Dr. Frank E. Mossman, President of Morningside College, delivered the address. President Mossman is an orator of unusual ability, and he brought a message which was well worth while.

The class of '25 is the fiftieth which has been graduated from Blair High School. The Senior Class exists no longer; its members are now alumni of the Blair High School. With the earnest hope in their hearts that they may bring only honor to their school, the graduates turn their faces to the future and write "Finis" at the close of their High School days.



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Papoooses



Everett Tyson



Helen Wright



Audrey Beales



Myrtle Little



Winifred Allen



Ruth Bross



Olive Smith

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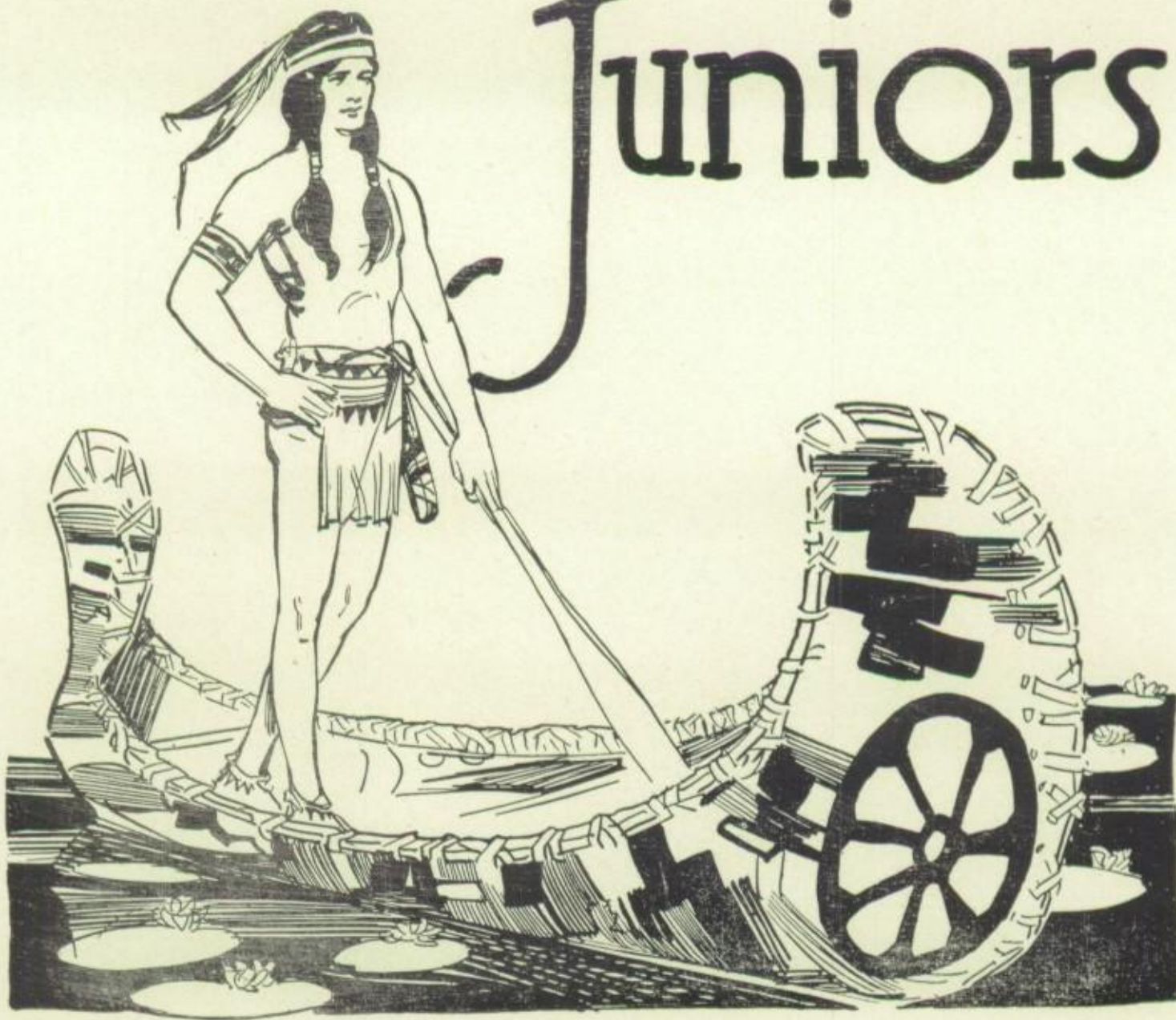


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Junior Class Roll

Anderson, Mildred
 Bartlett, Arvid L.
 Bacon, Iva Mae
 Behrendt, Pearl
 Blomquist, Byrd
 Brunton, Lucille
 Brewster, Pearl
 Burger, Lelia
 Burger, Mildred
 Carlson, Harold
 Christensen, Karl
 Cushman, Nelle
 Frain, Edith
 French, Ethel
 French, Raymond
 Gilbertson, Kenneth
 Gutschow, Jennie
 Haack, Irene
 Hansen, Winston
 Hansen, Wilma
 Hanna, Dorothy

Hillman, Earl
 Hundahl, Pearl
 Husk, Lloyd
 Jacobs, Maryan
 Jensen, Edythe
 Jensen, Marshall
 Johns, Doris
 Johnson, Arthur
 Koepke, Helen
 Koopman, Frances
 Kubie, Esther
 Lamb, Everett
 Lang, Reynold
 Larsen, Herold W.
 Metzinger, Erna
 Moats, Mildred
 Morgan, Glen
 McClintock, Fern
 McCoy, Evelyn
 McCormick, Mildred
 Nemetz, Lucile

Pace, Leitha R.
 Pearce, Virgil
 Petersen, Jens
 Porter, Wilford
 Powell, Dorothy
 Robertson, Edna
 Rodgers, William
 Siert, Martha
 Siert, Helen
 Stevens, Lillian
 Sutherland, John
 Thompson, Bernard
 Thompson, Leslie B.
 Toft, La Fern
 Vig, Steen
 Warrick, Blandina
 Warrick, Irene M.
 Warrick, Gertrude
 Watts, Wilbur
 Wilkins, Marshall
 Wilkinson, Thomas



Junior Class Activities

The activities the past year have proved to every one that the Junior Class was a body of progressive, energetic, and happy young students.

We began our organized school activities at our first class meeting held December 19, 1925, at which time we elected our officers. Earl Hillman was chosen President; Steen Vig, Vice-President; Erna Metzinger, Secretary, and Dorothy Powell, Treasurer. We selected Miss Doten as our sponsor for the year.

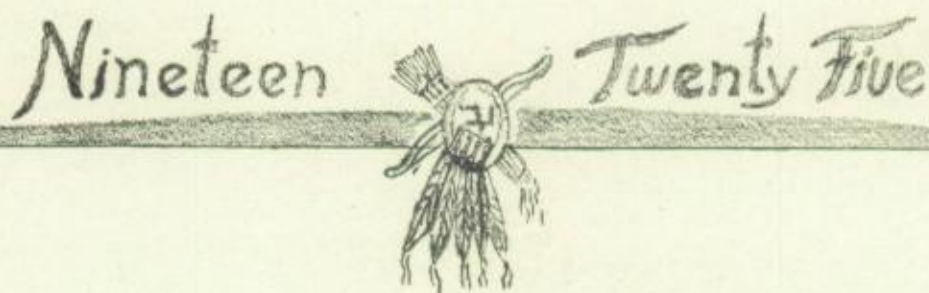
Our first social gathering was held February 13 in the Commercial Rooms. The Valentine idea was cleverly carried out by means of appropriate decorations. One of the features of a very enjoyable program was the debate on the question, "Resolved: That Valentines Should Be Abolished". Herold Larsen as "Ivan, the Terrible", King of Sweden, upheld the affirmative while Dorothy Powell, the "Queen of Podinsky", upheld the negative.

Our next enterprise was the Junior Play, "The Trysting Place" by Booth Tarkington, given April 13 and 14 at the New Home Theatre. The play was given for the purpose of raising funds for the Junior-Senior Banquet. This is the first time the Juniors have undertaken a class play and the large attendance both evenings proved it to be a huge success.

Our last social affair was the Junior-Senior Reception held May 16, at the American Legion Hall. There were one hundred and fifty present. The rooms were decorated to represent an oriental garden, and that idea was very cleverly carried out in the entire program.

The Junior Class has also shown its ability along other lines than social activities. Individual members have won honors in Declamatory, Athletics, Debating, Music, and Scholarship. Erna Metzinger won first place in the dramatic section of the County Contest, while Winston Hanson won second place in the humorous section of the local contest. Three of our members, Edythe Jenson, Dorothy Powell, and Herold Larson, are members of the Debating Teams; five members of the Thirteen Club are Juniors; eleven members of the Football Squad were Juniors, as were eight of the Track Team. In the Junior-Senior track meet on April 17th and 20th the Juniors won by a wide margin. The Juniors placed two boys on the Male Quartette, and many others were represented in the several musical organizations. This is a record of which we are justly proud.

We realize that our year has been a success, not because of the work of certain leaders or individuals, but because of the co-operation and loyalty of every member of the Junior Class. All we have to say is, just watch us when we are Seniors.



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Sophomores



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Sophomore Class Roll

Allen, Mary Frances
Anderson, Edna
Antill, Helen
Bartlett, Mea N.
Bross, Frances
Carlson, Helen
Christensen, Eric
Dixon, Louis
Draeger, Louise
Halbert, Hortense
Haller, William M.
Hastings, Edward
Hillman, Vera
Jensen, Alice
Johnston, Ora
Jones, Dorothy

Kiefer, Barbara
Kolterman, Frederick
Kuhr, Verna
Lang, Mable
Linden, Mildred
Love, Mary
Mathews, Harland
Metzinger, Lois
Moats, Evelyn
Mose, Mabel
McComb, Lucille
Nelson, Clara
Nielsen, Damon J.
Noble, Betty
Nunnally, Ethel
Peake, Ruth

Peterson, Leora
Rasmussen, Alice
Schmidt, Madeline
Scheffler, Helen
Short, Myrtle B.
Simonsen, Herman
Sorensen, Harry
Stewart, Sam
Tilden, Irvin
Van Deusen, Earl
Weber, Mary
Wise, Louise A.
Wrich, Alma
Woltje, Katherine

Sophomore Class Activities

The first meeting of the Sophomore Class was called on December 19th, for the purpose of selecting officers. The following were elected: Sam Stewart, President; Madeline Schmidt, Secretary; and Clara Nelson, Treasurer. No sponsor was chosen at this time, but at a later date Miss McMonies was selected.

On February 2nd, the class held their most interesting meeting. For some time before this there had been rumors abroad of a Sophomore frolic, and at this time definite plans were made. In spite of the old superstition connected with the date Friday, the 13th, it was decided that the party would be held on that night. In addition to making arrangements for the party the class colors, red and white, were selected.

The party was indeed a success and every one present had a delightful time. A very entertaining program was concluded by a playlet appropriate to the occasion, "The Valentine That Went Astray". Other features were: "The Passing Show of 1925" and instrumental and vocal numbers by members of the Class. After the program games were played and dainty refreshments were served.

Sophomores never seem to achieve a great deal of glory or attention. They are, however, rather like the dull cocoon of a butterfly which bursts unexpectedly into dazzling beauty. Next year they will come into the butterfly glory of an upper-classman. Activities on their part have already forecasted what this future will be.

Herman Simonsen has attracted attention as a javelin thrower of ability, and in the two remaining years of school and track, bids fair to develop remarkable ability. Betty Noble, possessed of a pleasing contralto voice, was a candidate for representation in the solo division of the State Music Contest. Although she isn't going this year, we're expecting lots from her in the future. Mary Love did creditable work in the local Declamatory contest. Madeline Schmidt, Betty Noble, Evelyn Moats, and Hortense Halbert represented the school at the University Scholarship meet in May, taking the examinations in History, Mathematics, and Caesar. Betty Noble, Verna Kuhr, and Madeline Schmidt were members of the group from the Girls' Glee Club which participated in the State Music Contest.

And so, as the school year draws to a close, the Sophomores are looking forward in anticipation of the coming year and the opportunities which it will offer them as Juniors.



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DOWN ON THE FARM



Hail! Hail! the gang's all here!



Not a self starter



The Two Horsewomen



A Farm Made



Give a poor dime a beggar



Shake!



Bah! Bah!

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Freshman Class Roll

Abbott, Frederick
 Allen, Ruth May
 Andersen, Milton H.
 Andersen, Evelyn M.
 Beekmann, Carl
 Burger, Helen
 Carlson, Maryan L.
 Carter, Mary A. C.
 Christiansen, Ella
 Christiansen, Irene
 Croudy, Helen
 Cushman, Ruth
 Gillette, Raymond
 Grathe, Ernest
 Hansen, Lavonne, M.
 Hansen, Ernest
 Jensen, Dorothy
 Jensen, Kenneth
 Jensen, Merton

Jensen, Catherine
 Johnson, Vernetta
 Johnson, Richard
 Keifer, Donald F.
 Krogh, Harvey
 Kuhr, Vivian
 Kuhr, Merton
 Ladd, Margaret
 Larsen, Leona D.
 Lund, Lona
 Lund, Ruth
 Mackin, John
 Martindale, Edith
 Maynard, John
 Morgan, Bessie
 Mummert, Gretchen
 Mundorf, Hazel
 Pease, Lawrence
 Pease, Lola Belle

Petersen, Mildred
 Puls, Rose
 Raver, Eva Louise
 Reeh, Bennard M.
 Sappenfield, Clyde
 Schultz, Theodore
 Smith, Erma Ellen
 Steed, Neil
 Stevens, Clarice
 Stricklett, Wayne
 Tilden, Norman
 Tyson, Dorothy
 Walrath, Frances
 Walrath, Preston
 Warrick, Margaret
 Ziegler, Marguerite
 Ziegler, William





Essay on Freshmen---By One

The term Freshman has never been defined. But I will attempt to do so. A Freshman is a er—ah—er—Freshman Ha-ha. I guess that's a pretty good definition. Can't be got around, just the same as pigs is pigs, cows is cows, and Seniors is Seniors. Not that I would place Seniors on a level with pigs and cows. Oh no! I wouldn't dare! You see, pigs and cows have some pride.

But as I was saying, Freshmen are Freshmen. Small we are, but we're sorta like the widow's mite. You know what I mean—a whole lot in a little. We all hang together, too. Same as "in onion there is strength". I don't know who said that, but I guess some Senior must have. Sounds like one anyway.

I'm sort of getting tired of being called green, ignorant, and nutty. Some day when I'm a Senior I'll get it back on the Freshies. Anyway, they do say that a green nut never was cracked. Some Seniors are, though.

But as I was saying, a Freshman is a Freshman. Can't be beat for a definition, same as a Senior is a Senior. Course I'm not trying to say that Seniors are in the same class as Freshmen. I've got too much pride. We're a funny lot that way—proud and persevering. Some day we'll all be Seniors, anyhow. Of course, a Senior is just like a purple cow, anyway, because "I'd rather see one than be one." Ha! Ha! Pretty good at that.

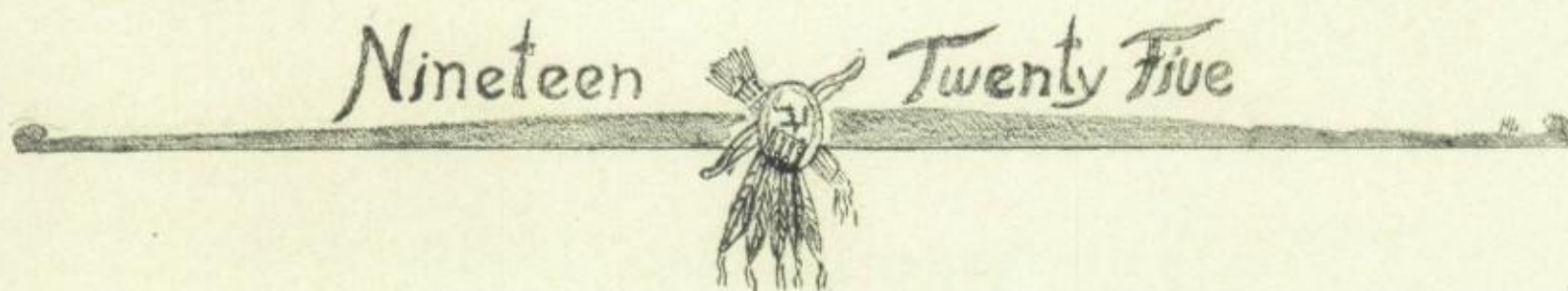
But as I was saying, a Freshman is a Freshman, so why worry about the Seniors?

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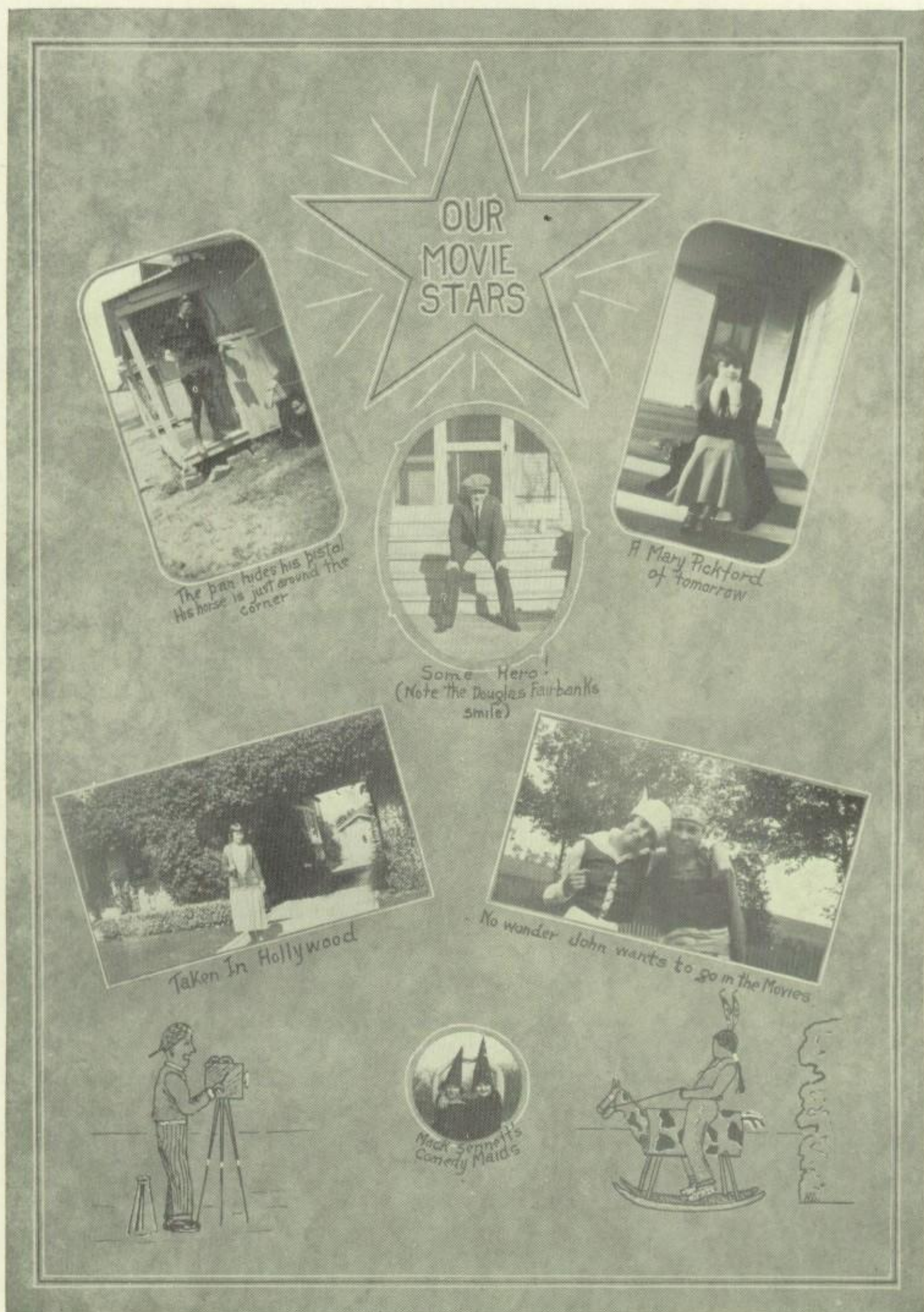
The Freshmen class was organized December 19th. They elected the following class officers: President, Dorothy Jensen; Vice-President, Clarice Stevens; Secretary, Ruth Allen; and Treasurer, Merton Kuhr.

At their second meeting on February 19, Miss Graham was chosen sponsor.

Dorothy Jensen represented the Freshmen class at the High School Scholarship meeting at Lincoln, where she took the examinations in English and Algebra. Clarice Stevens represented the Freshmen in the local declamatory contest.



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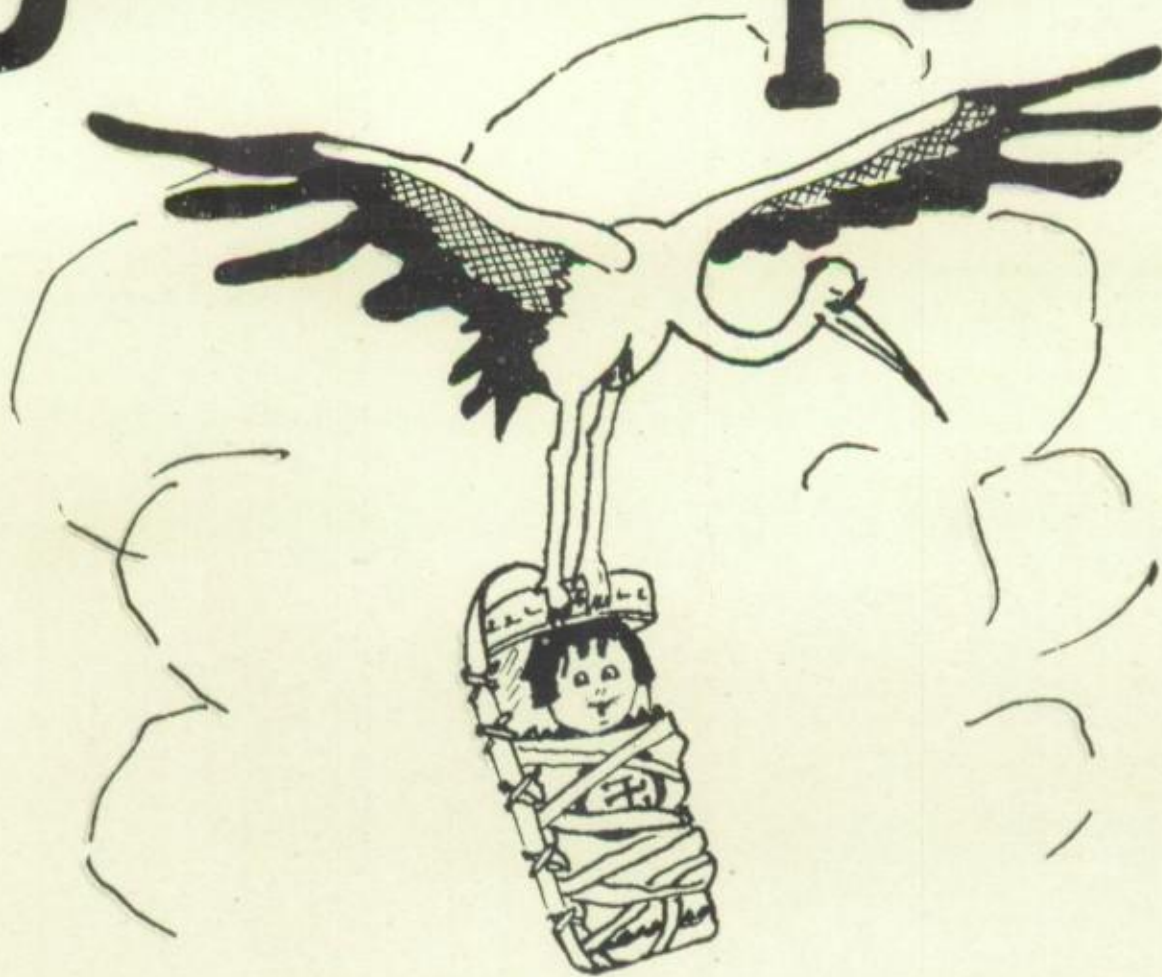


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Junior High School Faculty



CORA MAE KENNEDY
Peru State Normal School
History



HILDEGARD LINDEBLAD
Wayne State Teachers College
Physiology



ELIZABETH EASTMAN
University of Nebraska
English



JEANNETTE McQUARRIE
University of Nebraska
Arithmetic

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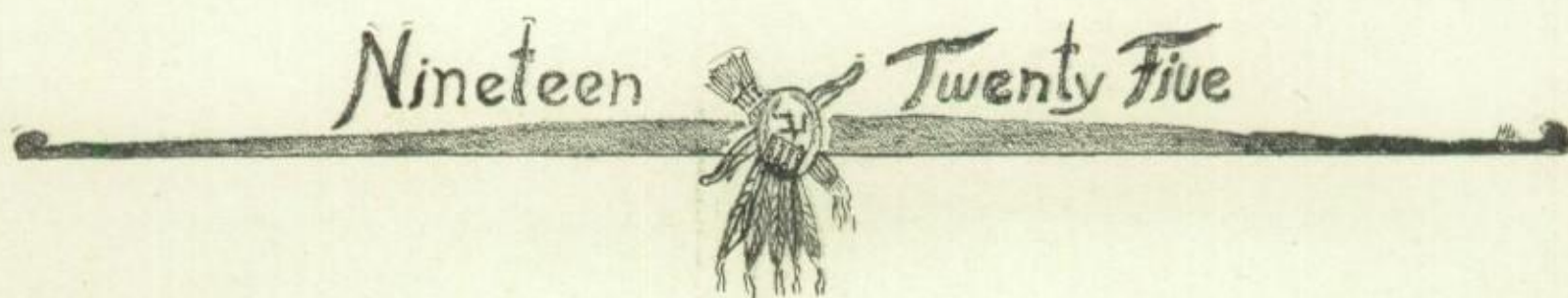
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Junior High School Class Roll

Abbott, Norman	Gutschow, Buelah	Nielsen, Jules
Allen, Joel	Haller, Sam	Nielsen, Madeline
Anderson, Leon	Hanna, Robert	Nielsen, Vance
Anderson, Viggo	Hansen, Opal	Olesen, Swen
Antill, Arline	Hansen, Viola	Paulsen, Harry
Aye, Caroline	Haynes, Lottie	Peake, Iris
Aye, Hans	Henningsen, Margaret	Pearce, Violet
Badgerow, Margaret	Hislip, John	Peterson, Oscar
Baer, Cyril	Hopewell, Bayard	Pilcher, Marjorie
Barger, Mable	Jacobs, Bernice	Rasmussen, Robert
Bartlett, Erwin	Jenkins, Edward	Rhoades, Pricilla
Baxter, Dorothy	Jenkins, Margaret	Sappenfield, Clarence
Beales, Austin	Jensen, Alfred	Schulz, Alfons
Beck, Edna	Jensen, Lucille	Small, Albert
Blomquist, Tom	Johnson, LeRoy	Sorensen, Elsie
Boston, Donald	Jones, Margaret	Sorensen, Lillian
Bowman, Barbara	Keifer, Faye	Stricklett, Bernice
Bramlett, Shelby	Kelley, Francis	Stricklett, Junior
Brewster, Grant	Koopman, Mae M.	Stewart, Jean
Brumbaugh, Ora	Krogh, Dorothy	Swendgard, Helen
Brumbaugh, Roy	Ladd, Curtis	Sylvis, Charles
Burger, Wilma	Lindstrom, Edwin	Sylvis, William
Carmichael, Kenneth	Maynard, Curtis	Taylor, Olivia
Christensen, Howard	Matthiesen, Louise	Tilden, Doris
Dosteret, Vera	McCormick, Jeanette	Thompson, Sherwood
Eliassen, Charles	McMillan, Robert	Timm, Dorothy
Feer, Lucille	Miller, Lowell	Timm, Pearl
Frank, Lloyd	Miller, Vivian	Vandeventer, Guy
French, Clifford	Moats, La Vaughn	Vig, Arndt
French, Doreen	Moore, Mary Isabella	Vig, Ruth
Galletine, Eldon	Morgensen, Grace	Walrath, Chester
Gamron, Sadie	Morgensen, Ruth	Weber, Mattie
Gilbertson, Charlotte	Mundorf, Milburn	Wilds, Frederick
Gilliam, Clifford	Myers, Jean	Wise, George
Gilliam, Gladys	Myers, Margaret	Woltje, Eddie
Gollehon, Marvin	Nielsen, Dagny	Wright, Helen
Greene, Everette		





Junior High School Calendar

February 2—Junior Stricklett, competing against high school students, wins second place in the Home Declamatory Contest with his oration, "The New South", by Henry W. Grady.

February 13—Junior High Valentine party in the assembly.

March 7—Margaret Henningsen and Margaret Jenkins represent the Junior High School in both oral and written spelling at the county contest.

April 17—The 7A's entertain the 7B's and 7C's with a program of songs and recitations.

April 22—The 7B's and 7C's present a very entertaining program during the twenty-five minute period.

May 6—13—Eighth grade pupils have assembly programs.

May 6—Eighth grade has wienie roast at the Castetter Park.

May 7—Junior High School Cantata, "The Awakening of Spring," by Fearis.

May 13—Seventh grade picnic.

Junior High School Activities

One of the outstanding social events of the year was the Valentine party held in the assembly from four to five on Friday, February 13th. The first part of the hour was spent in distributing Valentines. A very enjoyable program followed. Refreshments, consisting of Eskimo Pies, were served by the teachers.

On May 7th the Junior High School gave a Cantata, "The Awakening of Spring," by Fearis.

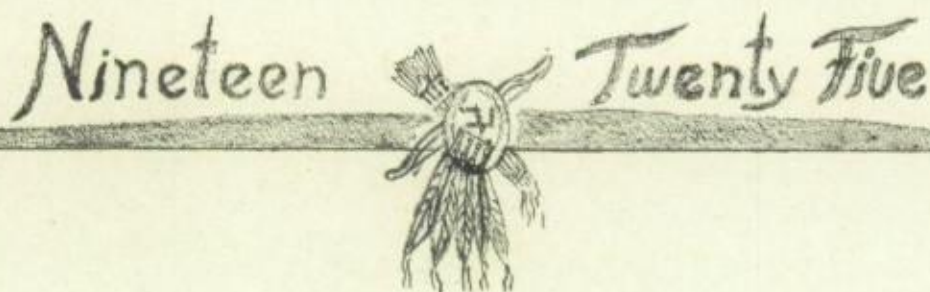
This Cantata consists of two-part choruses and two choruses sung by boys. There was also a chorus of girls from the fifth and sixth grades in costume who sang spring and flower songs.

A group of girls from the first and second grades were dressed as fairies and danced around Lady Spring. Louise Matthiesen took the part of Lady Spring.

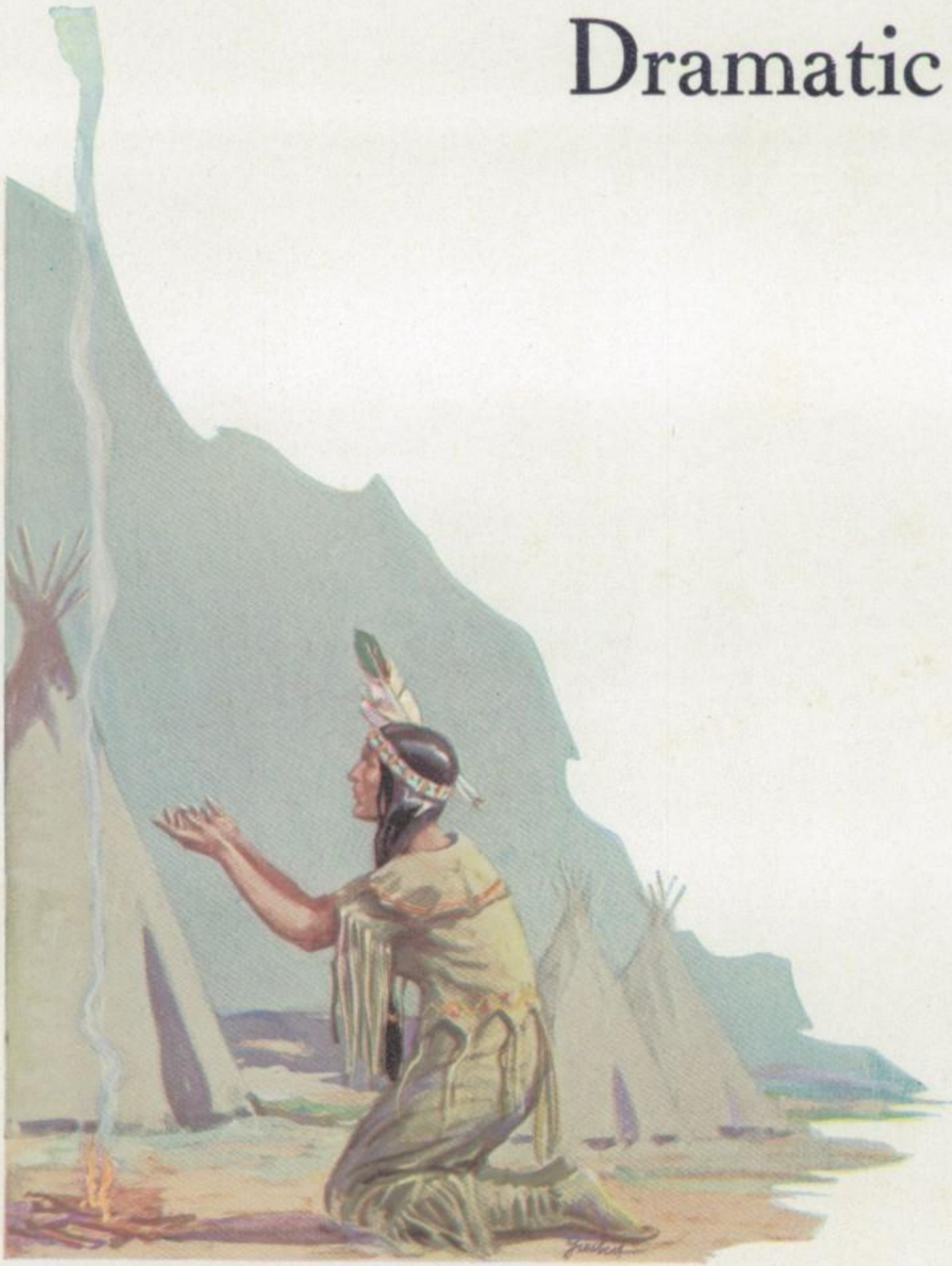
There were twenty girls from the first four grades dressed as dandelions, daffodils, tulips, daisies, violets, and butterflies who appeared at different times during the singing of songs about these different kinds of flowers.

There were about one hundred and ten in the Junior High School choruses and thirty-six girls in the choruses from the fifth and sixth grades. They were accompanied by Miss Jeannette McQuarrie.

The following are the names of the Junior High School students who have played regularly in the High School Orchestra the past year: La Vaughn Moats, Louise Matthiesen, Austin Beales, and Swen Olesen.



Book III—Literary and Dramatic



The Gilt Feather

Jane kissed her mother, who was reclining wearily in an invalid's chair "Don't cry," she encouraged, patting the pale cheek. "I'll get the position with Mr. Clayton—sure, and as soon as I'm settled in the city, the best surgeon and best hospital for you, dear."

She caught up her suit case and hurried away, fearful lest she betray the doubts that would crowd in. She had heard too much about the exacting requirements of the head of the Clayton Supply Company. Deep down in her heart she knew how timid she was and how she invariably got nervous and did her worst when the best was vital. At the very thought of the coming stenographic test, her fingers were so shaky that she knew they would catch and stumble over the little curves and hooks on whose slender strength her future dangled.

At ten o'clock next morning, she entered the steel and concrete building from which the company sent supplies all over the world. Its imposing bulk made her heart flutter. Was not she, a backward country girl from the town of Mulford, too insignificant to become a part of this immense enterprise? It seemed daring for her to try at all.

A boy in maroon uniform ushered her into the waiting room and set a chair for her.

A man of about forty, quietly but very carefully dressed, appeared in the doorway and said:

"This is Miss Halbreay? I am Mr. Justin, the secretary. Make yourself comfortable until Mr. Clayton can see you."

She thanked him and he returned to his room. She was wondering whether it would not be wise to slip away unobserved instead of making a dismal failure, when a fine mahogany frame on the wall caught her eye. Within it was the one word "Courtesy"; if the slogan of the house was courtesy surely she could expect fairness in the test.

She took up a morning paper from the table, and in a minute or two she was absorbed in an article. It was part of a daily column by a noted writer who signed himself "Unwinking Observer".

"Curious what a difference there is in people! Look with me at two girls on the noon express yesterday. A woman, worried by a fretful baby, rises, pulls back of seat half over and places a satchel as signs of occupancy. Enter two society girls. They rush for a vacant seat. "That's taken," warns a woman passenger.

Look with me hard at one of the girls. You'll want to recognize her if you see her. Dressed in the latest, a gilt feather stuck impudently in a bright red turban. She slams the back of the seat into place and tells her companion to sit down.



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Along comes mother with baby, still peevish. Claims seat. Gilt Feather remarks tartly that in a crowded train one passenger has as much right to a seat as another. "Get the brakeman to find you a seat," she advised. The tired mother takes up heavy satchel and staggers to the rear.

Now behold another sort of girl. Quiet, homey, little body in a becoming dark green dress and a dark green hat. Not flashily beautiful like Gilt Feather but just the sweet, comfortable sort. She springs up and insists on the mother taking her place. Then she stands patiently for nearly an hour until another seat is empty. Did Unwinking Observer see anything more? Just what he expected. The glorious little girl in green takes baby and keeps it until the train reaches the city, giving the Mother needed rest. Gilt Feather, with her chum, is too absorbed in a box of chocolates to see what happens behind her."

Startled, Jane read the paragraphs again. She had seen the incident herself. Which one of the passengers in the coach, she wondered, could have been Unwinking Observer?

Steps sounded and another caller was ushered in. Jane looked and could hardly believe her eyes. The caller was "Gilt Feather". Now, Jane thought, she was sure to lose the position. The vision of her mother made the thought painful.

Justin appeared from his office. The girl swept toward him, smiling engagingly, and said:

"I am Miss Carrie Gartner and I have an appointment with Mr. Clayton."

"I know," he returned, "but Miss Halbrey is ahead of you."

"She shouldn't be. State Senator Greeves recommends me, and if Miss Halbrey is not sent by anyone so important I am entitled to go in first."

"Mr. Clayton will decide about that," he said.

"Then I'll be first," Miss Gartner settled the matter. "Mr. Clayton and Senator Greeves are very close friends. Beside, I've had an unusual experience as a stenographer and perhaps it might be more comfortable for someone else not to try at all."

It was not long before Justin announced that Mr. Clayton was ready. Jane's nerves instantly "went jumpy". Miss Gartner sprang up.

"That means me, I suppose."

"No, Mr. Clayton will see you both at the same time."

"But you promised me I could go in first on account of Senator Greeves."

"Pardon me. I said Mr. Clayton would decide and he has."

He opened the door of the private office and Miss Gartner tripped in proudly with the same arrogant confidence she had shown in taking the mother's place in the car the day before. Jane followed, bravely fighting the



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conviction that competing with such a girl was absurd. Gilt Feather had all the advantages.

Jane found herself in a large, sunny office, the very atmosphere of which seemed to inspire willing service. In its center, at a flat-topped desk, sat a tall handsome man of about fifty.

Gilt Feather went straight to a chair on the opposite side of the desk as if it had been placed there for her.

"You are Miss Gartner, I suppose?" Mr. Clayton said in a deep but pleasant bass and with a polite nod.

"Yes, Senator Greeves, your very good friend, sent me. He says that he is sure I am just the stenographer for you. So, naturally, I feel confident of pleasing you, Mr. Clayton."

Turning to Jane Mr. Clayton said, "Please take that chair by the small table, Miss Halbrey, and be at ease. I understand you've done much stenographic work for Mr. Darton and other attorneys at Mulford.

"Yes, sir; a great deal."

"You will find note-books and pencils before you."

"Testing us together?" Miss Gartner asked, somewhat pepperishly.

"Do you object?"

"Oh, I'm not afraid to put my work up against anyone's," she declared, "but do you doubt Senator Greeves' information? Certainly his word should go farther than that of country lawyers and judges."

Mr. Clayton spoke quietly, "It will save time to try you together. Are you ready?"

Deliberately and distinctly he dictated three letters. The first was brief and simple; the second more complicated, involving various amounts of money. The third was long and was on a question of law that involved fine distinctions and necessitated many technical terms.

How Jane's hand did shake, and how alarmingly different her shorthand was from the neat and legible work she had done for the attorneys at Mulford. She knew she would never be able to read it.

Justin came to conduct them to the typewriting room. Jane thought long and hard. In an establishment where "courtesy" was the slogan, a few words as to what Miss Gartner had done on the train would disqualify her. The temptation was powerful but it was not that way she wanted to win. If she could not do so by her ability she would not win at all.

Their test was over and Mr. Clayton had the papers.

"Miss Halbrey," he said at last, putting down her work, "your typewriting is beautiful though there are errors. But the errors are due to nervousness and self-distrust under a test. Naturally, however, we want accuracy."

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"Your work is very accurate, Miss Gartner, but the typewriting is rather hastily done in a kind of slap-dash style. That, however, is due to over-confidence. At any rate your work is better than Miss Halbrey's."

Jane rose from her chair, walked to the desk, and said,

"Mr. Clayton, it was very good of you to give me a trial, and I am sorry that I caused you to waste some valuable time. I'll say good morning."

"Sit down again," said Mr. Clayton kindly, "the test is not yet over."

Wonderingly Jane returned to the table. Mr. Clayton pointed to the framed slogan over his head.

"In an establishment like ours a high order of courtesy is necessary. My policy is to test the ability of applicants first, then their ideas of courtesy. So, Miss Halbrey, may I ask what you understand that true courtesy is?"

The suddenness of the question drove all ideas out of her mind for the moment but in a flash she saw hope in this turn of the situation and answered:

"I have always thought it was something like the Golden Rule. We should act toward others as we would like to have them act toward us."

"Very good," he commented. "What is your idea of courtesy, Miss Gartner?"

"I agree with Miss Halbrey," she answered readily.

"Very well," he returned, taking a newspaper clipping from a desk drawer. "Suppose that upon leaving a seat on a railway train for a few minutes, after pulling back of the seat forward and leaving a satchel as a notice of occupancy, you should come back and find it taken by two young girls, and suppose also that when you asked for it one of them rather saucily told you to get the brakeman to find you another place. Would these two girls be following out this idea of courtesy?"

"Why do you take such an extreme case?" the Gilt Feather asked, although it was plain that she was somewhat dashed.

"There is an account of such an incident in the morning paper, except that the person turned out of the seat was a tired mother with a fretful child. Miss Halbrey, is it at all possible that you were on the twelve o'clock express from the west yesterday and saw that incident?"

"It happened in the coach in which I was riding, sir."

"Unwinking Observer, who writes the account, says that one of the girls who took the seat wore a gilt feather in a red hat." Clayton went on, his eyes on the rather crest-fallen Miss Gartner. "But he says that another passenger gave the tired mother her place, and when another seat was empty, she took the baby so that the mother could rest. This girl, it seems, wore a dark green dress and a little green hat." His eyes rested on Jane's hat and dress.



"The courtesy test is finished," Clayton remarked quietly. "What you did on the train is not the chief point, Miss Halbrey. That was the natural impulse of a true feminine heart. But you gave the winning proof of courtesy this morning when Miss Gartner insisted on getting into my office first, you were willing to let her. That is still a trifle. The high point is that, knowing what a word about that train incident would do in a house where courtesy is a requirement, you were fair and brave enough not to speak that word. When you thought Miss Gartner had won, you wished to go without trying to hurt her chances. It is one of the most striking tests of courtesy we have ever had here."

"I'll bid you good morning," the Gilt Feather said icily, leaping to her feet.

"Your test is not quite over, Miss Gartner. You have shown us this morning that you are enterprising and have ability of the sort we need here, if it can be properly directed. Just now you are too self-seeking. Come back by the end of three months and show us you have learned to act towards others as you would have them act toward you. We shall have a very good place for you here."

She gripped the back of the chair and, in a softer voice, admitted:

"You've shown me a great deal today, Mr. Clayton and I'm going to profit by it. I'll be back in three months."

She walked slowly to the door and turned in time to see Jane go to the chair she had entered to occupy as Mr. Clayton's confidential stenographer. Jane, waiting for further instructions, gripped the note-book which she had excitedly rolled up, and thought:

"Oh, Mother, what an escape! Suppose I had told!"

P. H.

To the Team

Champions!
Fighters all!
Our plucky boys,
Small ones—Bruno and Skeeter,
Big ones—like Bob and Clown,
And all the rest of the squad,
All fighting—through mud and cold,
And sneers and bitter defeats,
Up to lasting honor and fame,
And the glory of B. H. S.
Here's to them!
Champions!

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Indian Blood

Dusky pines and a sunset red,
A river deep and black with mire,
An Indian tepee, brown and small
And the burning flame of an open fire.

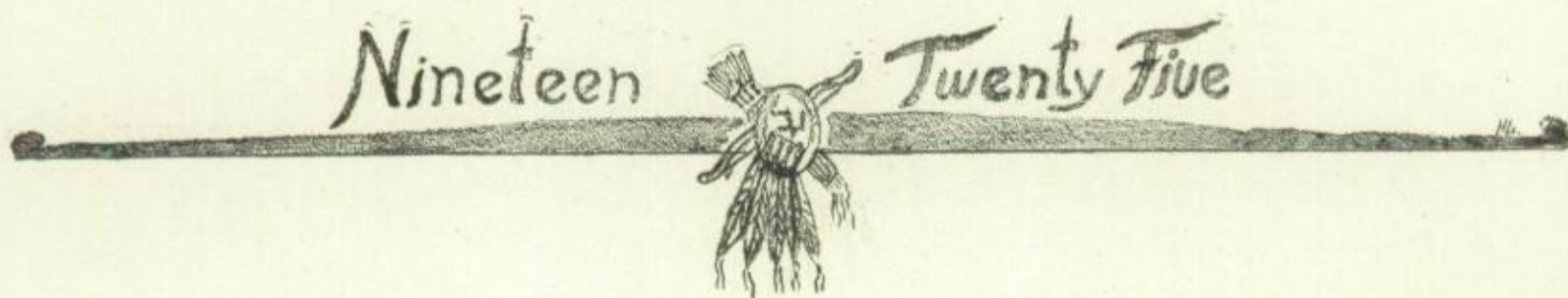
Indian maidens, lithe and brown
Wild as their battle cry;
Indian horses, swift and strong,
Cleaving the earth and sky.

Indian hates, and Indian wars
Fierce as the sun's hot flame;
The menace of murder and ambuscade
Of a race that will never be tame.

A cruel life but a glorious life,
Of a race that lived close to the raw;
They lived and fought and died like men
Under the tribal law.

The Indian's sun is setting now;
He has lost his power and fame,
But he leaves to those who follow him
The heritage of his name.

J. R.





Seven Keys To Baldpate

The Seniors chose for their class play the melodramatic comedy, "Seven Keys to Baldpate," a thrilling, gripping story of blackmail, midnight shooting, and true love. The plot is well constructed and the action moves along swiftly. The story is of a young man who tries to win a fifty thousand dollar bet by writing a novel in twenty-four hours. To do this he goes to Baldpate Inn, a summer hotel totally deserted at this time of year, the dead of winter. The adventures which he meets there are both thrilling and amusing. The denouement is startling and completely unlooked for.

The cast, under the direction of Mr. Moore, presented the play in a way to be proud of, for the play is an unusual one, not often attempted by high school people.

CAST

Elijah Quinby.....	George Nelson	Peters.....	Margaret Struve
Mrs. Quinby.....	Catherine Beekmann	Myra Thornhill.....	Ruth Cheely
Magee.....	Everett Tyson	Cargan.....	Kirby Cook
Bland.....	Rollo Allen	Max.....	Austin Haller
Mary Norton.....	Audrey Beales	Hayden.....	Milford Mehrens
Mrs. Rhodes.....	Ruth Bross	Kennedy.....	James Maher
Bentley.....	Hilton Rhoades		

The Trysting Place

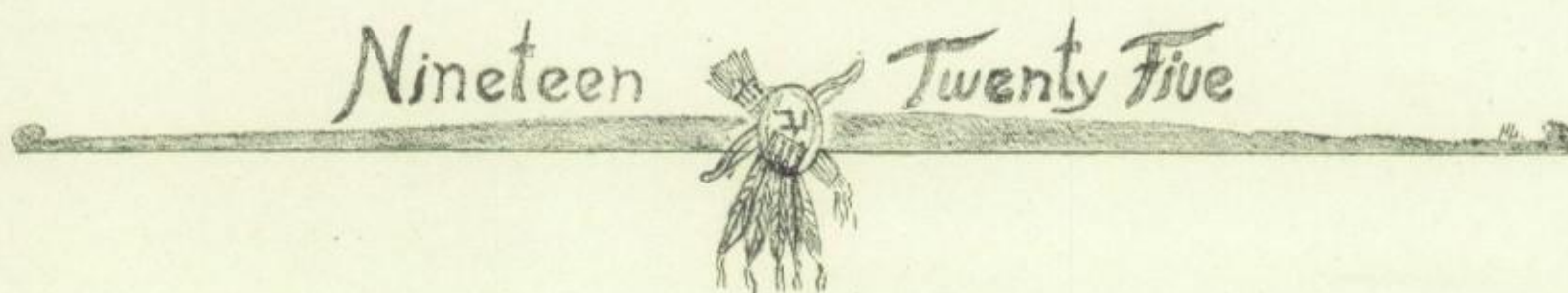
This year, for the first time, the Junior Class gave a class play. They presented "The Trysting Place", which is one of Booth Tarkington's best farcical comedies. The play was given at the New Home Theatre on the 13th and 14th of April, and was a great success if one may judge by the large attendance both nights.

The scene was laid in the reception room of a large hotel. The various couples, supposing this room to be a quiet place, where they could meet and talk confidentially, found to the contrary a state of affairs resulting in a disastrous situation—too many unseen eavesdroppers.

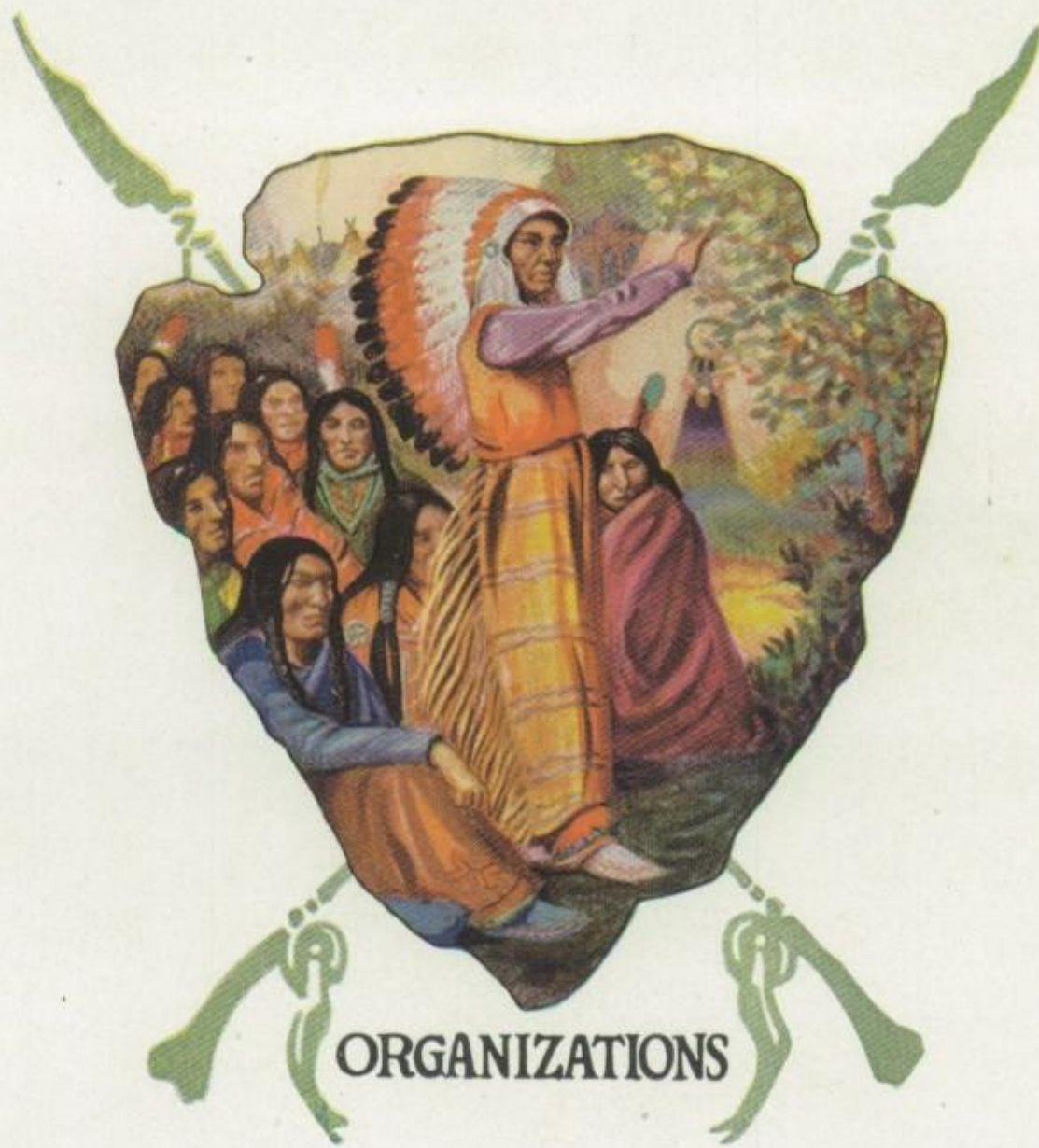
The cast depicted the parts in a manner which gave much credit not only to them, but also to their coach and sponsor, Miss Mildred Doten, and to Miss McMonies and Mrs. Koopman, who assisted her.

CAST

Lancelot.....	Herold Larson	Jessie Briggs.....	Erna Metzinger
Mrs. Curtis.....	Edythe Jensen	Rupert.....	William Rodgers
Mrs. Briggs.....	Frances Koopman	Mr. Ingoldsby.....	Harold Carlson
Mysterious Voice.....	Wilford Porter		



Book IV



ORGANIZATIONS



Normal Training Club

Officers

President	Jeanette Robertsen
Vice-President	Ruth Bross
Secretary	Winifred Allen
Treasurer	Elna Rasmussen

The Normal Training Club is composed of Senior girls who are taking the Normal Training Course. It was organized for the dual purpose of business and pleasure.

Business meetings are held twice each month, at which times matters are considered that are of interest to future "school ma'ams".

The one big social event which took place during the year was the Christmas "Kid" Party given at the home of our sponsor, Miss Kelly. All were requested to come dressed as kiddies, and the result was a most interesting array of costumes.

Immediately after the Blair vs. Central High Debate, the club held a candy sale to raise funds for the year's activities.



Home Economics Club

Officers

President.....	Marie Sas	Treasurer.....	Helen M. Croudy
Vice-President.....	Clarice Stevens	Cheer Leader.....	Dorothy Jensen
Secretary.....	Margaret Warriek	Editor.....	Dorothy Tyson

Colors.....Rose and Cream

Flower.....Pink Rose Bud

Motto....Be not simply good, be good for something.

The aim of the Home Economics Club is to create interest in the Home Economics Department.

The activities of the year included the serving of the football banquet December 5th, and a bake sale at Campbell's store October 18th.

The first meeting of the organization was held at the home of Marian Carlson. At this time an appropriate club pin was selected, and officers were elected.



Thirteen Club

The Thirteen Club was organized October 13th at which time officers were elected. We were the first organization of the kind and we had nothing to guide us but our own ingenuity and that of Mr. Moore, the sponsor.

The Oakland game was boosted by the club members who decorated about seventy-five cars which paraded through the business district. In order to earn a little money, the members tied bows of purple and white and sold them to every boy and girl who went to the Blair—Tekamah game. The Thirteen Club also arranged to have the Blair Juvenile Band at this game. At the West Point battle, the fattest boy in school was dressed like a baby in the West Point colors and was wheeled around the field while the rooters yelled, "West Point wants their ma-ma-ma!"

The big social event of the year was the Thirteen Club's dinner for the football boys given December 5th.

March 20th a big carnival was held to raise money for our expenses. Crowds swarmed into the side shows for an hour and a half, and then a mob started for the main show. We felt well repaid for our work when we found the proceeds to be over sixty dollars.

The Club has certainly been a pep producer. We sincerely hope that it will continue to be one of Blair High's strongest organizations. We wish good luck to the future lucky Thirteens!



Commercial Club

Officers

President.....James Maher	Treasurer.....James Pounds
Vice-President.....Fern McClintock	Cheer Leader.....Austin Haller
Secretary.....Jeanette Robertson	Cheer Leader.....Leitha Pace
Sponsor.....Miss Doten	

The Commercial Club was organized September 10th. The officers were elected, and the purpose of the club explained by the sponsor. All members of the Commercial Classes are eligible for membership. Its purpose is to instill enthusiasm into the department.

The initiation held September 24th was a very successful affair, thrilling, but not dangerous.

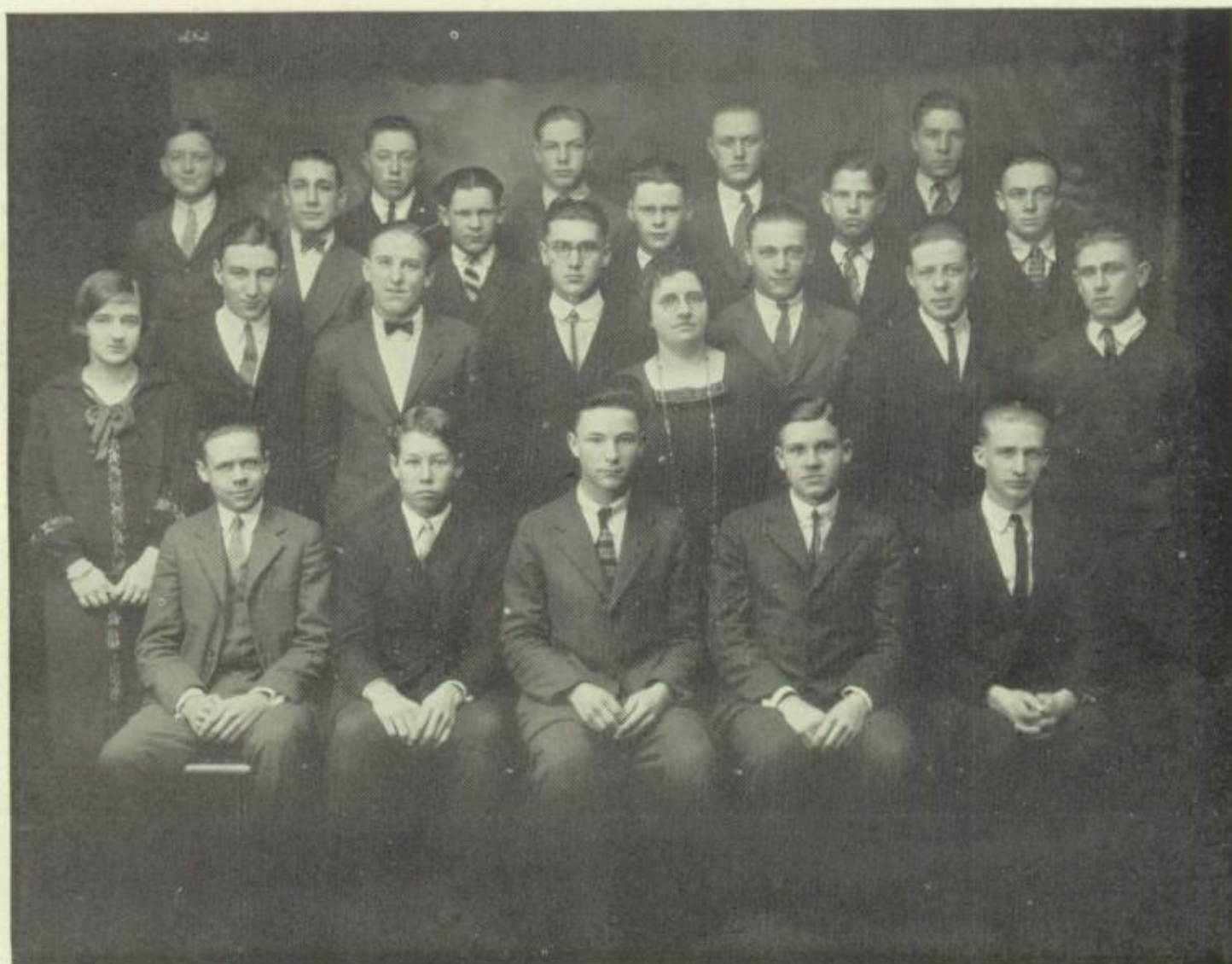
The Club treated the faculty and football squad to a wienie roast at Castetter Park October 16th. The "eats" were fine.

On November 13th the Club held an open meeting in the assembly, every one being welcome. A large crowd attended.

A basket-ball game between the Commercial Club team and the non-Commercial students was played at Dana College February 10th. The Club team defeated the "Non-Coms", to the tune of 32—16.

At the carnival sponsored by the Thirteen Club, March 20th, the Commercial Club conducted a refreshment stand and a "police court".





Boys' Glee Club

The Boys' Glee Club was organized the second week of school with fifteen members, not including Mrs. Brown, director, and Catherine Beekmann, pianist. This number gradually increased until it reached twenty-eight, the membership at the present writing. The Glee Club sang twice before the assembly, for the Blair—Ft. Dodge debate, and gave several numbers at the musical program February 19th. They also sang for the Parent-Teacher Association.

The High School Quartette, composed of Harold Carlson, Hilton Rhoades, Halbert McClintock, and William Rodgers, was also selected from the Glee Club. This quartette sang for several lodge programs and for two debates.

The Glee Club ended a very successful year by winning second place in the State Musical Contest at Lincoln May 9th. For the first year, the boys who sang at Lincoln made an exceptionally fine showing.

In the solo contest, Hilton Rhoades won fourth place in the tenor division.



Orchestra

The first Orchestra meeting this year was held in the Commercial Room. A few trusty students met, and expressed their opinion as to whom should be included in the organization.

Our first rehearsal, like the rest, was a success from all view points,—in enthusiasm, and in the number and variety of musical instruments. We had four or five violins, cornets, flutes, saxophones, and cello; in fact about everything except the drums. As the Orchestra work progressed, more members came in until we now have thirty.

Many of the young musicians have taken part in the various entertainments, and also the Wednesday assembly programs. The Orchestra has played for the public many times, during the year. The first real program for which we played was the Declamatory Contest held in the Assembly, January 27th and 28th. The next program was the one given by the whole Music Department. At this time we played at the beginning and close. Many of the members took part in special numbers and solos. The Parent-Teacher Association, and the Thirteen Club Carnival concluded the programs up to April 1.

Our out door affair was the wienie roast at the Park. The whole music department, and the faculty, were present. We had a dandy time and enjoyed the treat immensely.



Girls' Glee Club

The Girls' Glee Club has the largest enrollment such an organization has ever had in Blair High School. There are over seventy-five members this year. The club was organized early in the fall and has worked faithfully all year. Mrs. Brown is the director, and it is due to her leadership that the girls all like Glee Club.

The club was included with the orchestra and the Boys' Glee Club into a Musical Association, and has no separate organization. The officers of the Musical Association are: President, Kirby Cook; Vice-President, Ruth Bross; Second Vice-President, William Haller; Secretary, Fern McClintock; Librarian, Irene Warriek. Ruth Cheely and Catherine Beekmann are the pianists.

The Girls' Glee Club sang at a meeting of the Parent-Teachers' Association, at the first debate between Blair and Central High, at the County Declamatory contest, at the program given by the Musical Association, and three times on the Wednesday musical programs.

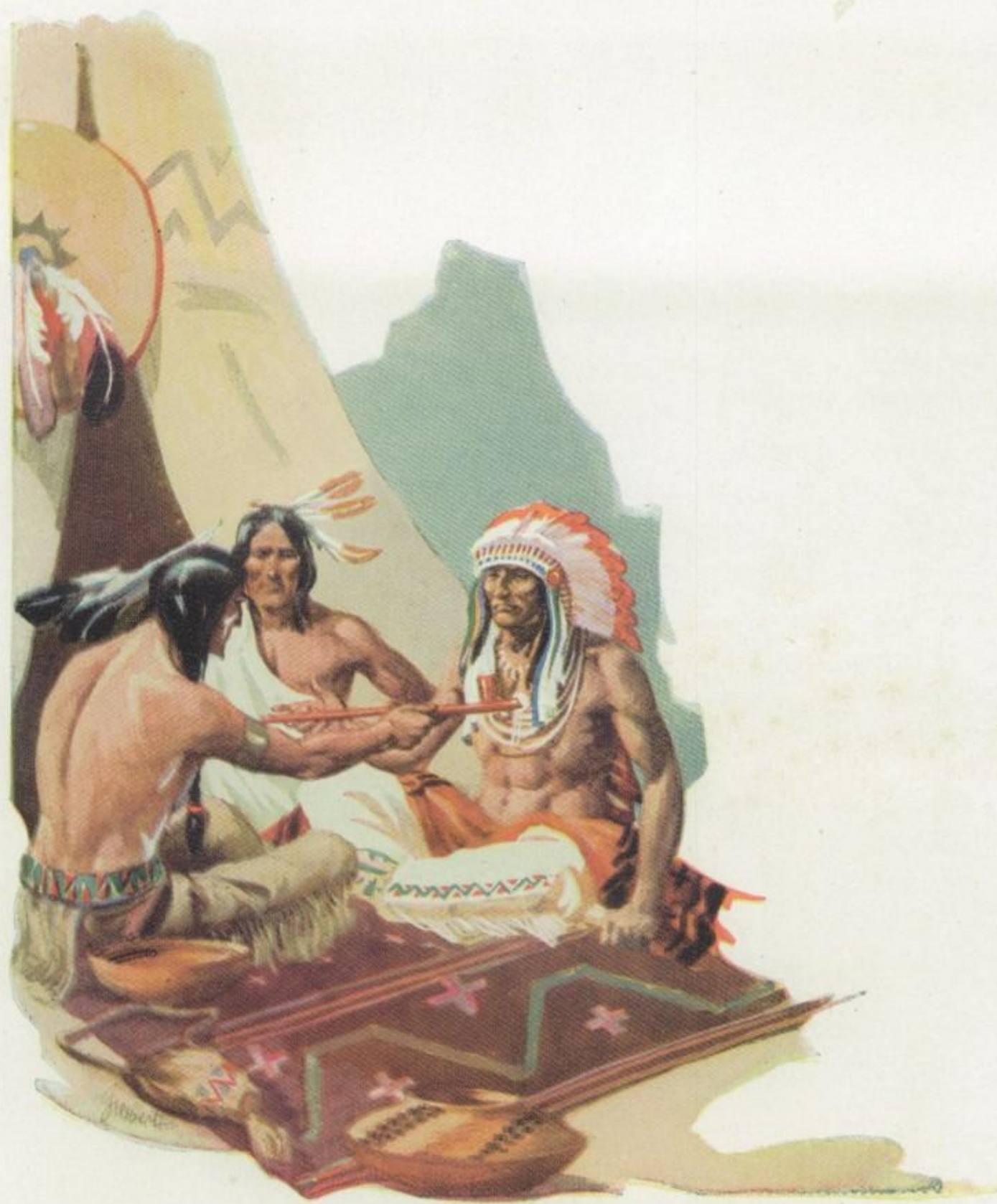
A chorus of sixteen girls represented Blair in the State High School Musical Contest held at Lincoln. They sang "When Birds Are Singing". Blair had entries for the vocal solos and mixed quartette, also. Besides having a very enjoyable trip, the excursion to the state capital was an education in itself. It was a fitting culmination of the work of the Music Department for the year.

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Debate



Herold Larsen

Edythe Jensen

Kirby Cook

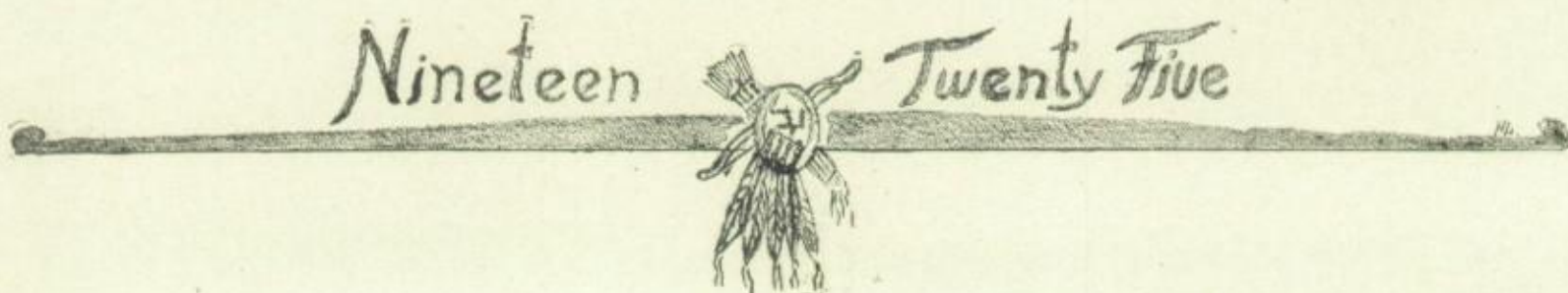


Milford Mehrens

Margaret Struve

Elton Bissell

Dorothy Powell





Debate Schedule

Preliminary Debates

Ft. Dodge—January 31st

Omaha Central—January 22nd

Tekamah—March 16th

State Debates

Technical—March 22nd

Central—March 19th

South High—April 9th

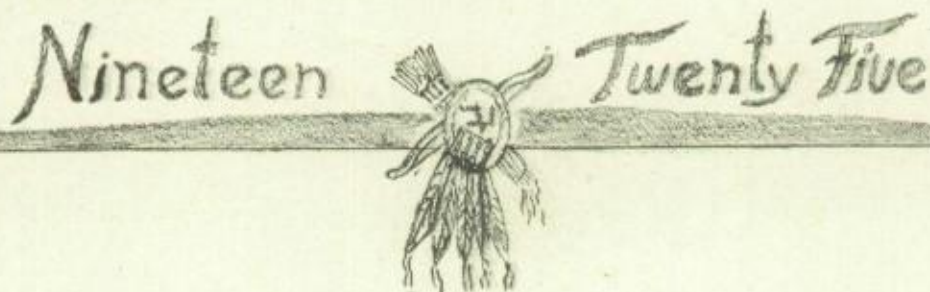
Plattsmouth—April 15th

Shortly after the beginning of the new year, Superintendent D. V. Masser called a meeting of all the students who were interested in debating work. Nineteen people responded. This group of students were then assigned preliminary work. They were later divided into groups and a series of practice debates were held. This series of practice debates brought out the real talent of the school and after careful consideration the following students were selected to represent Blair in the Interscholastic Debates: Kirby Cook, Edythe Jensen Herold Larsen, Dorothy Powell, Margaret Struve, Milford Mehrens, and Elton Bissell.

Mr. Masser believes that the best practice a debating team can get is to debate the strongest teams that are available. Consequently debates were scheduled with Ft. Dodge, the Iowa Champions, Omaha Central, the Nebraska District Champions, Technical High, South High and teams of that class.

We did not expect to win all of our debates, but we did expect to make a good showing in this, our first year of Debating work. The Blair debaters lost the first debate to Central High by a unanimous decision. In the Ft. Dodge debate they again lost, but made a better showing. In the Tekamah debate, a no decision debate, the Blair debaters seemed to have the "edge". Commencing with March, the State Debates began. At the Technical High debate held here, the Blair team debated the Technical team to a stand still. However, again we lost a 2 to 1 decision. On March 29th, the strong Central team again defeated the Blair team by a unanimous decision, although the Blair debaters showed considerable improvement. At the South High debate in Omaha on April 9th, the Blair team really got going and commenced showing the results of their past experiences but again the decision of the judges was 2 to 1 against Blair. At the last state debate of the season against Plattsmouth at Plattsmouth, the Blair debaters won the unanimous vote of the judges.

A pleasing thing about the debating work this year was that in each debate the Blair team continued to improve. Hence, the future outlook is bright. We will have with us the following experienced debaters to begin the season next year; Edythe Jensen, Dorothy Powell, and Herold Larsen. Kirby Cook, Milford Mehrens, and Margaret Struve will be missed from next year's squad as they graduate this year.





Declamatory

During the past year Declamatory work has made its introductory bow to Blair High School. The cordial reception which it has received from patrons and pupils alike, and the laurels which it presents as a sign of its year's accomplishments, promise that it will remain a permanent part of our curriculum.

In the local contest, held in the High School Auditorium January 26th and 27th, twenty-four students participated. Three of these entered the oratorical division which was won by Everett Tyson, reading "The Unknown Speaker." Junior Stricklett, who delivered "The New South," won second place in this section. The humorous department had nine entries. First place was attained by Ruth Cheely and her "Movie Fan". Second and third places were accorded to Winston Hansen's "Case of the Grippe," and Winifred Allen's "Who's Afraid?" The remaining contestants, twelve in number, entered the dramatic section. Here Erna Metzinger won first place with "The Money Spider." Ruth Bross, reading "The Man in the Shadow," and Nellie Woltje with "A Daughter of the South," received second and third places, respectively.

At the Washington County Contest, held in Blair, Feb. 6th, our representatives, winners of first places in the local contest, won the gold medal in each division.

In the District Contest in Omaha, April 17th, where fifteen schools were represented, Erna Metzinger won second place in the dramatic section, yielding the honor of first place only to a pupil of Omaha Central High and the Misner School of Expression.

Blair was again represented in the declamatory division of the Nebraska Wesleyan, High School Scholarship meet, April 24th. There, Everett Tyson won second place in the oratorical division, and Erna Metzinger, third, in the dramatic section.

Viewing the declamatory work as a whole, then, it is needless to say that its achievements have been more than satisfactory, not only in their value to the individual students who participated, but also to the school which has through them made a name for itself among other schools.



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BUSINESS MANAGER



KIRBY COOK
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF



HEROLD LARSEN
ASSISTANT EDITOR

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KODAK EDITOR

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The 1925 Tattler

It has been the aim of the Staff to create a Tattler representative of Blair High as a school, a book which will reflect, not only its activities, but its spirit and ideals as well. The members of the Staff have tried to incorporate in these pages something of the work and the fun which are a part of high school, something of the dreams and ambitions that belong to a student, and something of the love and the loyalty which every scholar feels for his alma mater.

The Staff takes this method of expressing its sincere appreciation to Mr. Moore for his work in connection with this book. Without his help and enthusiasm, the Tattler in its present form would never have come into being.

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Track

For the first time in several years track was taken up as a major sport in Blair. Eleven men came out to practice and were given places on the team.

The first meet held during the season was the class meet which was won by the under-class-men, who defeated the Seniors 58 to 38.

On Saturday, April 18th, the first annual Washington County Track and Field meet was held at Blair. The local team carried off the honors, losing only two first places. The other competing schools were Herman and Arlington. The score was as follows: Blair 61½, Arlington 21½, and Herman 17.

In a triangular meet with Tekamah and Oakland, Blair won second place, Tekamah winning first. This was the first severe competition faced by the Blair squad, and they showed up surprisingly well.

At the invitation meet held at Nebraska Wesleyan University, Blair won four points, Cook placing second in the 220 yard dash, and fourth in the 100 yard dash.

At the Council Bluffs relays on May 2nd, Blair won third place in the 880 yard relay.

For the first year, the team showed up very well and succeeded in putting Blair on the map in track as well as in other sports.



Football

Review of the Season

The 1924 football season was one of the most successful in the history of the school. Around six letter men as the nucleus, Coach Moore molded a team which smashed through to the undisputed conference championship. The spirit this year was perhaps the best it has ever been. Nearly twenty-two men were out for practice every night, and the record of the team is probably due to that fact. The team, though relatively light, worked together well, and made up for the lack of weight, in speed. In the Logan game this was particularly evident.

As nearly half of the team comes back next year, Blair has a wonderful chance of again carrying off the honors in the Northeast Central Conference.



The Schedule

Rosalie 6; B. H. S. 18.

Sept. 18.

The first game was played at the County Fair at Arlington. Better team work, and more early season training won the game for Blair. For the opening game, Blair showed up exceedingly well and gave much promise of power.

Logan, Ia., 0; B. H. S. 7.

Oct. 3.

Logan's team, heavier fifteen pounds to the man than Blair, was decisively beaten by the home squad. Blair's goal was never in danger, while line smashes coupled with end runs succeeded in bringing her the only touchdown of the game. This was the first time a Blair team ever defeated Logan, and the victory may be considered one of the outstanding achievements of the 1924 squad.

Decatur 6; B. H. S. 6.

Oct. 10.

Over-confidence and lack of practice the week before the game nearly lost the Decatur game to Blair. This was by far the poorest game of the season and nearly resulted in a defeat. As it was, the best Blair could do was to tie the score, 6—6.

Oakland 0; B. H. S. 14.

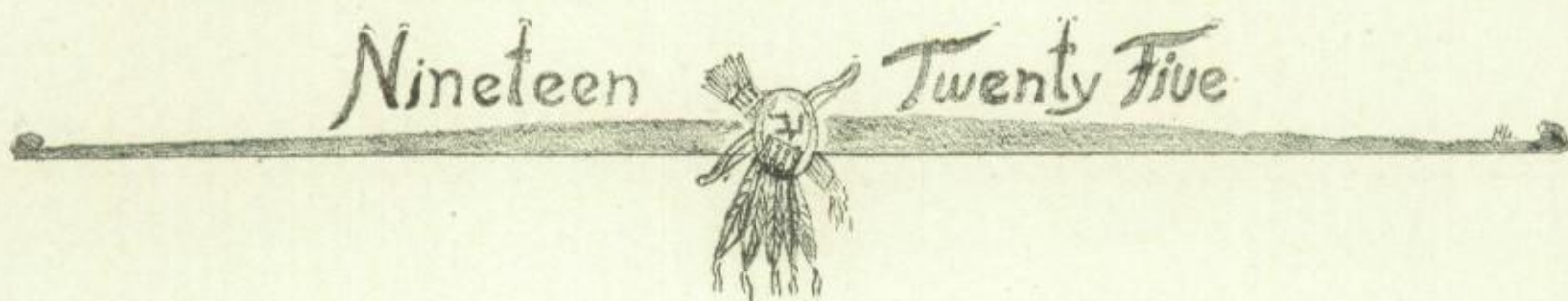
Oct. 17.

Profiting by the scare they received through the Decatur game, the team worked like demons the next week, and as a result gave Oakland a decisive beating, 14—0. Although the score was small, Blair completely outclassed the visitors in all stages of the game. This was the best exhibition of football seen on the home field this year and proved the real power of the home squad.

Tekamah 19; B. H. S. 0.

Oct. 24.

The feature of the year was played at Tekamah and ended disastrously for Blair. A high wind made passes impossible, while the heavy Tekamah back-field was materially aided by the same weather conditions. Blair lost but was later awarded the game because Tekamah used two star players who were ineligible under conference rules.





West Point 20; B. H. S. 0.

Oct. 31.

The only defeat of the season was given to the home team by the fast West Point machine. Although Blair made over twice as many yards from scrimmage as their opponents, they failed to get the breaks and lost 20—0.

Pender 25; B. H. S. 0.

Nov. 11.

After being completely out-classed the first two quarters Blair came back in the second half and played the Pender team to a standstill. This game was also forfeited to Blair because ineligible men were used.

Lyons 0; B. H. S. 31.

Nov. 21.

The last game of the season resulted in an overwhelming victory for Blair. Fighting with the conference championship at stake, Blair took the lead at the start and were never headed. Incidentally, they gave Lyons the worst defeat they have ever suffered on their home field, in addition to ending up a successful season in great fashion.

The Personnel of the 1924 Squad

CAPT. EARL HILLMAN (Swede)

Guard

"Small but mighty" is the best way to describe Swede. His specialty was defensive work. Who can fail to remember his flying dives over center? This is Swede's third year, and he is captain elect again for next year. Next season we are expecting great things from him.

ROBERT GOLLEHON (Bob)

Tackle

This was Bob's second year and his best one. A good man who fought every minute of the game. The school loses a fine lineman by his graduation this spring.

WILLIAM RODGERS (Bill)

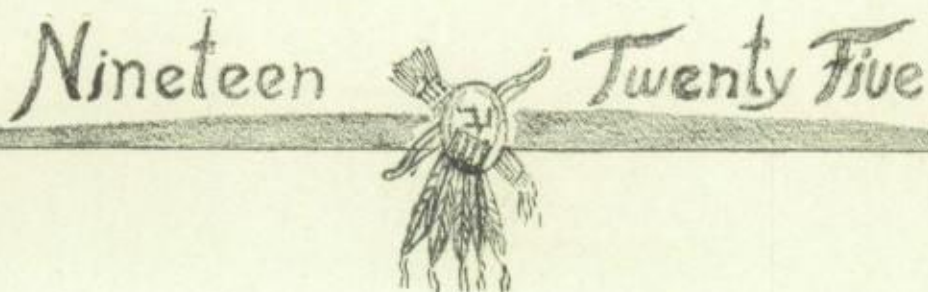
End

For his first year Bill showed great promise as an end, and should be even better next year. He was handicapped some by beginning at the middle of the season at end, and will be much steadier in his second season.

CLARENCE VIG (Clown)

Center

Clown holds the record of being the only man to play every minute of the season. A good offensive player, he was even better on the defense. When-





ever there was a pile-up, Clown was sure to be on the very bottom. In the Pender game with only a foot to go, Pender tried four times to go through center and lacked three inches of putting the ball across. "Nuff said", Clown's place will be hard to fill next year.

MILFORD MEHRENS (Mill)

Guard

Mill played only part of the season but showed up well while he was in the game. This is his last year.

HAROLD CARLSON (Swede)

Tackle

Swede was handicapped from the early part of the season by an injured back, but his playing was very creditable, especially in the Oakland game. Next season he should develop into one of the best linemen in the conference.

HEROLD LARSEN (Swede)

End

As a first year man, Swede developed rapidly into a hard hitting and fast end, a good man on the defense but a little inexperienced in offensive work. This will be remedied next year and Swede should show up twice as well.

KIRBY COOK (Kirb)

Quarter

Kirby was the main stay of the team this year. A punter, a passer, a speedy ball lugger and a heady field general, his services were invaluable. He was an outstanding star in the conference and received honorable mention as an all-state man. His place will be hard to fill next year.

GEORGE NELSON (Kruger)

Half and Full

Kruger was placed at a disadvantage throughout the whole season by having to play every position on the team at some time or other. At full back though, he proved to be a steady ground gainer and a powerful defensive man. For a small man, his smashing ability was not equalled by any other conference back. This is Kruger's second and last year with B. H. S.

EVERETT TYSON (Ty)

Fullback

Ty held down the fullback position throughout the year and turned out to be a hard hitting back, who fought with every inch of his power every minute he played. An early season injury kept him out of a few games and slackened up his power somewhat, but he was a good man and will be missed greatly by next year's squad.





ARVID BARTLETT (Skeeter)

Halfback

To Skeeter goes the honor of being the smallest player on the team. Due to his small stature he was able to slip through the line easily and was especially good in off-tackle plunges. He has one more year, and with a little more coaching should make a flashy halfback next season.

PEARL BREWSTER (Bruno)

Halfback

Though small in stature, Brewster proved to be a big man in the back-field. He was a hard-hitting line-smasher, and showed up well on the defense, especially in stopping line smashes. He has one more year to play.

EARL JACOBS (Jake)

End

Playing his third and last year for Blair, Earl was a strong offensive and defensive end, although he was comparatively new at that position. He proved to be a hard man to get around. His work will be greatly missed next year.

MARSHALL WILKINS

Guard

Marshall was a good man in the line and was especially good offensive guard. He has one more year of high school football.

ELMER RASMUSSEN (Rass)

Guard

Rasmussen showed up well as a utility guard or tackle and will probably gain a regular berth in next year's squad. He has one year left to play.

Those who failed to play enough to earn a letter but who are worthy of mention because of their faithfulness in coming to practice are: James Maher, Everette Lamb, Irvin Tilden, Jamie Pounds, Austin Haller, Earl Van Dusen, Milford Porter, Reynold Lang, Alfred Reeh, and Harold Nielsen.

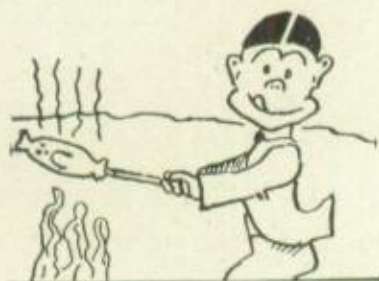


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Calendar



THE
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EXAMS!



HOORAY
TWO WEEKS
VACATION!



WHAT A LIFE!



Sept. 1st—School begins. Oh happy day!!!!
Sept. 10th—Commercial Club organizes with lots of pep.
Sept. 18th—First football game, at County Fair, Blair 18, Rosalie 6.
Sept. 24th—Commercial Club initiation. Must have been a howling (!) success judging from the noise.
Oct. 3rd—Football—Blair 7, Logan, Iowa, 0. A triumph of speed over avoirdupois. A-hem!!!!
Oct. 10th—Six weeks' exams. Our students wore worried expressions.

Oct. 10th—Football at Decatur. Tie, 6—6. Too much confidence.
Oct. 16th—Commercial Club treats the faculty and football boys to a wienie roast.
Oct. 17th—Football—Blair 14, Oakland 0. Best game, best crowd, best day of the whole season.
Oct. 22nd—Music Department entertains faculty and football squad at a wienie roast (only it was hamburger).
Oct. 24th—Football—Blair 0, Tekamah 19, later forfeited to Blair.

Oct. 31st—Blair 0, West Point 20. First defeat of season.
Nov. 3rd—Normal Training Club organizes.
Nov. 11th—Blair 0, Pender 25. Forfeited to Blair. Coldest day of season.
Nov. 13th—Open meeting of Commercial Club. Everyone invited.
Nov. 14th—Game with Bancroft forfeited to Blair.
Nov. 21st—Blair wins conference championship at Lyons, 31—0. Last game.
Nov. 21st—Examinations again. The zero hour.
Nov. 25th—Commercial Club party.

Nov. 27th—Thanksgiving. We have two treats, turkey and vacation.
Nov. 30th—That Sunday football game with dishonorable discharges for the participants.
Dec. 5th—Thirteen Club banquet for football boys.
Dec. 19th—Normal Training Club Xmas party.
Dec. 19th—Vacation! Pessimists are in the minority.
Dec. 23rd—Mixed Chorus sings Christmas carols around the Xmas tree up town.

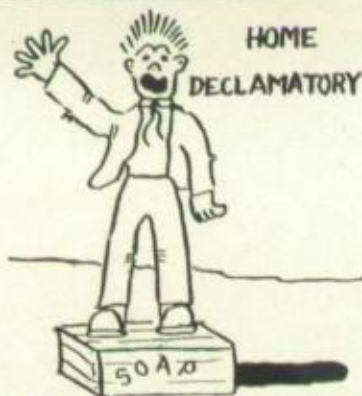
Jan. 5th—School re-opens amidst great rejoicing!!!!
Jan. 6th—Epidemic of purple and white stocking caps strikes B. H. S.
Jan. 7th—Mrs. Moore sings for us.
Jan. 8th—The Seniors are all "spruced up". They are having their pictures taken. Whoopey! Whoopy!
Jan. 9th—Registration for second semester. Seniors meet and pick out announcements.

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THE JOKE OF IT!



Jan. 12th—Sergeant Jack Rainey, World War veteran, gives us a worth while talk.

Jan. 15th—Friendly brown dog visits school. Visits office but sees principal and runs. Bright dog.

Jan. 15th—James Maher's little joke with some waste paper ends sadly for him.

Jan. 16th—Semester examinations. Frowns predominate.

Jan. 19th—New semester begins.

Jan. 20th—Normal Training music class 8:15 A. M. starts. Some girls lost their beauty sleep getting up here on time.

Jan. 22nd—Lose debate with Central High. No disgrace at all.

Jan. 26th—27th—Home Declamatory Contests. Ruth Cheely, Erna Metzinger, and Everett Tyson are the winners.

Jan. 28th—Mr. Fletcher of the Board of Education of the Christian Church gives us a talk on the value of a college education.

Jan. 31st—Debate with Ft. Dodge. They get the decision.

Feb. 2nd—The ground-hog sees his shadow.

Feb. 4th—Mrs. Brown sings for us. Also, we get a lecture on discipline and resolve to do better in the future.

Feb. 5th—Seniors get their rings and pins.

Feb. 4th—6th—Physical examination by County Nurse.

Feb. 6th—County Declamatory Contest. Blair's entries carry off the honors.

Feb. 9th—Peggy Allen puts her rubbers on the wrong feet and doesn't know whether she's coming or going.

Feb. 10th—Parent-Teachers' meeting.

Feb. 10th—Basket-ball game between Commercial and Non-Commercial students. Commercial wins—32—16.

Feb. 11th—Kruger Nelson goes to sleep in 12th English. Where were you last night, Kruger?

Feb. 12th—The Seniors have an exciting class meeting and choose new class colors and a flower.

Feb. 13th—Sophomore and Junior class parties. A very good time reported.

Feb. 19th—Musical program. "There's music in the air."

Feb. 20th—Senior class party. An extra-special good time.

Students dazzled by newly washed windows in assembly.

Feb. 26th—27th—Six weeks' exams.

Mar. 4th—We hear President Coolidge's inaugural address.

Mar. 6th—Commercial speed contest with Tekamah High School. Honors evenly divided.

Mar. 12th—Debate with Omaha Tech. Tech wins close decision.

Mar. 17th—"The Wearin' of the Green". (Some students didn't wear it very long.)

Mar. 19th—Central High wins in debate.

Mar. 20th—Thirteen Club carnival.

Mar. 23rd—Wesleyan Glee Club sings for us.

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HOORAY
THREE MONTHS
VACATION

RS. ALL
BUT
SENIORS



April 13th—14th—Junior Play, "The Trysting Place".
April 15th—Blair defeats Plattsmouth in debate by 2 3 to 0 decision. Hurrah!
April 17th—District Declamatory Contest at Omaha. Erna Metzinger wins second place.
April 18th—County Track Meet. Blair takes first place.
April 22nd—Triangular Track Meet with Tekamah and Oakland—Blair second.
April 24th—Scholarship contest at Wesleyan. One first place and other honors.

April 27th—Herold Larsen has his hair parted on the side.
May 6th—Senior Sneak Day.
May 15th—Senior Class play, "Seven Keys to Baldpate".
May 16th—Junior-Senior reception.
May 17th—Baccalaureate service.
May 22nd—Commencement.
May 23rd—Alumni reception to Class of 1925.

The Spice of Life

AFTER THE COMMERCIAL THEATRE PARTY

First Student: "Did you like the show?"

Second Student: "Perfect! I just cried and cried and cried!"

IN A FRESHMAN'S EYES

A Senior stood on a railroad track,
A train was coming fast,
The train got off the railroad track,
And let the Senior pass.

CLEAR AS MUD

Miss McCurdy (In ancient History): "How do they make sod houses?"

Frances B: "Have one person on one side and one on the other and then pat it."

HIGHER MATH

Miss Hanson (In Tenth Geometry Class): "If you add apples and apples do you get pears?"

Harland M.: "No, but if you add peaches and peaches, sometimes you get pears (pairs)."

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Frederick K. (reading autobiography in tenth English): "When Bill and I went into the fifth grade, Bill was in the "A" class and I was in the "C", the reason for this being that Bill's dad was on the school board."

IT MUST HAVE BEEN A BEAUTY

Madeline S.: "How did you like the dress I wore last night?"

Peggy A.: "It certainly was pretty." (A few minutes later) "Say, what dress did you wear last night?"

THE TEST

It is easy enough to keep fighting
When the other team lies subdued at your feet,
But then comes the test
When the team loses its zest,
And it stares in the face of defeat.

When the fires of fight are but embers,
The ashes of hope and pride,
Then you'll put on more steam
And fight for the team
If that fight in you has not faded and died.

We all get our knocks and tumbles,
And often say, "Oh, what's the use,"
Remember to fight!
It's the answer that's right,
For the team that can take victory or lose.

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FORCE OF HABIT

Mr. Moore: "Order, please!"

Earl J. (sleepily): "Ham and eggs, please."

If you can't express yourself, go by parcel post.

THE NEXT THING HE SAID WAS, "GOOD MORNING, ST. PETER"

He: "Will you go to the dance with me?"

She: "I'm sorry, I can't; but I'll introduce you to a handsome and clever young girl."

He: "I don't want a handsome and clever young girl, I want you."

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NAUGHTY! NAUGHTY!

Jack McClintock: "How old is that lamp, ma?"

Mother: "Oh, about three years."

Jack McClintock: "Turn it down; it's too young to smoke."

Hush, little Junior, don't be bold,
You're only a Freshman two years old.

BETTER TRY IT YOURSELF, JAMES

James Maher: "What makes the 'Tower of Pisa' lean?"

Mable Wallace: "Don't know, or I'd take some myself."

OH, WHAT A WALLOP

Miss Doten: "James, spell curiosity."

James M.: "C-u-r-o-s-i-t-y."

Miss Doten: "James, you murder the English language. You did not spell that right. It is c-u-r-i-o-s-i-t-y."

James M.: "No, I did not murder it. I only knocked an eye out."

FROM TWO VIEWPOINTS

"Toothache, eh? I'd have the blamed thing pulled, if it were mine."

"So would I, if it were yours."

EXPERIENCE COUNTS

Coach Moore: "Arvid, you dodge and squirm through that line better than some of the larger players. Have you played much before?"

Arvid B.: "No, but I used to go to all the bargain sales with my mother."

SOUNDS LIKE HEROLD LARSEN

Teacher: "I take great pleasure in giving you 81 in Math."

Bright Student: "Aw, make it a hundred and enjoy yourself."

THE WAY OF THE WORLD

One hundred years ago, when wilderness was here,
With powder in his gun, the man went out and got a deer;
But now the thing is changed, and's on another plan,
For now with powder on her cheeks
The dear goes out and gets the man.

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WHY MARRY?

Winifred: "Why should I marry you?"

Bill: "All right, then; you can be an old maid if you want to."

THE FLUNKER'S SONG

Failed in Latin, flunked in Math.,
They heard him softly hiss,
I'd like to catch the one who said
Ignorance is bliss.

UNSELFISHNESS

Austin Haller: "I would gladly die for you but for one thing."

Fair Maiden: "And that is—?"

Austin Haller: "I'm afraid you could never replace the loss."

SAD BUT TRUE

The "Tattler" is a great invention,
The school gets all the fame,
The printer gets the money
And the Annual Staff the blame.

PAGE MR. SHAKESPEARE

A cute little Freshman in Botany,
Just wondered if he had forgottany,
So he opened his book,
For one little look,
But as to his marks he ain't gottany.

WHY PICK ON THE FRESHMEN?

Once fashion is merciful—she allows Freshmen to be fashionable on St. Patrick's Day without spending their money.

IGNORANCE IS BLISS

Everett T.: "Are you going to take the "Tattler"?"

Freshie: "No, I'm taking five subjects now."

A WISE CRACK

Mr. A: "Go away from the radiator, the weather is not cold."

Mr. B: "I'm not heating the weather. I'm warming my hands."

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HARMONY?

Senior: "Do you sing in the Glee Club?"

Freshman: "Yes."

Senior: "What?"

Freshman: "Whatever the rest sing."

THEY LEARN YOUNG NOW DAYS

Mrs. Brown (to class): "Give the scale."

Little Boy: "Do, re, me, fa, sol, la, ti, do."

Mrs. Brown (to class): "What was wrong with that?"

Little Girl: "He didn't hold me long enough."

A TIP

The world's now old, but likes to laugh;

New ones are hard to find;

The greatest editorial staff

Can't tickle every mind.

So if you read some old, stale joke,

Patched up in modern guise,

Don't fuss and say there is no joke—

Just laugh—don't be too wise.

